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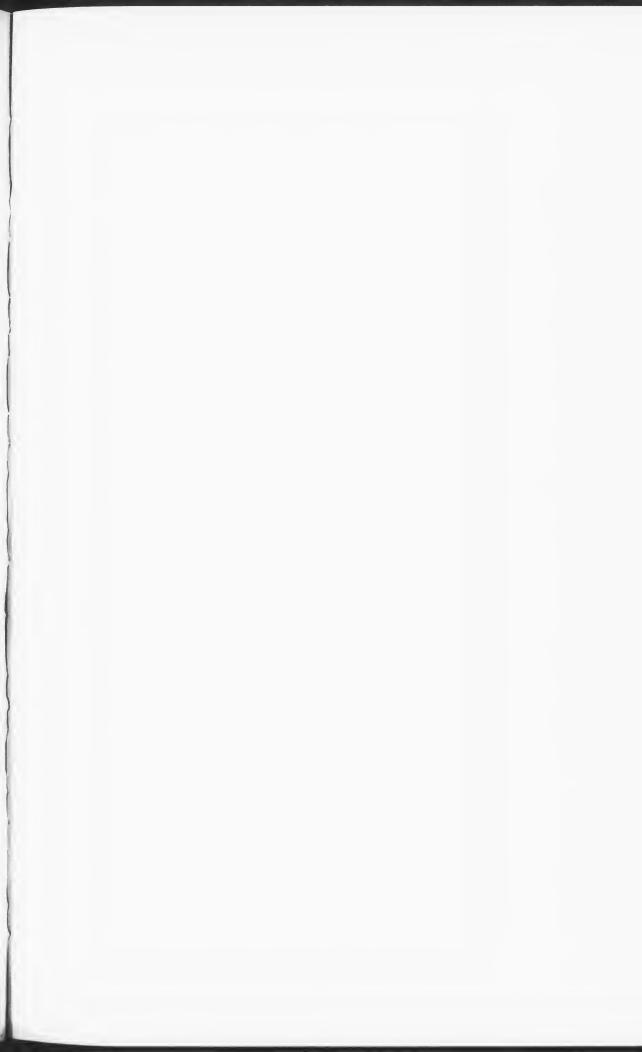
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- 1. AFTER the usual **opening** religious exercises, the Secretary shall read the Minutes of the previous session.
- 2. No **motion** shall be entertained by the Conference till such motion shall have been seconded.
- 3. All **motions** shall be reduced to writing, if desired by any member of the Conference.
- 4. Every member desiring to **speak** on any subject before the Conference shall rise and address the President.
- 5. The member who first rises and addresses the President shall be entitled to the floor.
- 6. No member shall **speak** more than once on the same subject till all who may desire to speak shall have spoken; nor more than fifteen minutes at a time, without leave of the Conference.
- 7. All questions of **order** shall be decided by the President, subject to an appeal to Conference, without debate.
- 8. When any question is under debate, no **motion** shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone, to commit, or to amend; but a motion to adjourn shall always be **in order**, and this, as well as a motion to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.
- 9. If the question before the Conference be capable of **division**, upon the call of any member, such question shall be divided.
- 10. The business of the Conference shall be conducted with **open doors**, unless otherwise ordered by the Conference.
- 11. Any question may be reconsidered on the motion of any member who may have voted with the majority.
- 12. If any member call for the **previous question**, and such call shall be sanctioned by a two-thirds vote of the Conference, the main question shall then be put.
- 13. Each **Committee** of the Conference shall choose its own **ehairman**, unless the chairman be designated by the Conference or the President in the appointment of the Committee.
- .4. The members of the Conference shall assemble in the Conference-room punctually at the hour to which the Conference adjourned, and no member shall absent himself from the place of Conference session without leave of absence.
- 15. In all practicable cases, where **charges** are preferred against a member of Conference, notice shall be given to the President on the first day of the session, that, if it be judged proper, his name may be called, and the case referred to a Committee.
- 16. No member of Conference shall be subject to **arrest of character** without having been timely furnished, wherever practicable, with a written copy of the charges and specifications against him.
- 17. The vote on any question shall be taken by **ayes and noes**, upon the call of fifteen members.
- 18. The **roll** of the Conference shall not be called in open Conference for the purpose of obtaining **subscriptions** of money from the preachers, except for Conference expenses, unless it shall be ordered by a three-fourths vote of the members then present and voting.
- 19. The printed Minutes of the Conference, including all reports adopted by the Conference, officially signed by the President, and edited and attested by the Secretary, shall be the **official record** of its proceedings.
- 20. No member who has spoken on a pending motion shall have the right to call for the **previous question**, or to move to lay the same on the table.
- 21. Standing **Committees** shall be divided into **three equal classes**, to serve from the first appointment one, two, and three years respectively; and all appointments thereafter shall be for three years, any member being eligible to reappointment.

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22. The **first meeting** of each Standing Committee shall be held after the Statistical Session, on the first day of the Conference Session, in the place indicated by the local Committee on Entertainment.

23. The presiding elders, those members of the Board of Examiners who have examined the candidates for **admission on trial**, and the Committees on general qualifications of such candidates, shall confer as one Committee, and shall recommend to the Conference the number, if any, and the names of those who should be received on trial at each session. The decision of this Committee shall be made, irrespective of the charges or districts from which the candidates are recommended.

24. When the **roll-call** of the first day's session shall have been completed, the Conference shall rise, and remain standing, while the Secretary calls the roll of members who have died during the year.

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66	Henry M. Keck,	P		Samuel G. Pollard,
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	Randolph E. Smith,	P.	"	Leonidas O. Deputy,
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/0	J. Raper Hunter,	P.		DeWitt C. Washburn,
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1000	Heber D. Ketcham,		P.	64	John Phillips,	P.
66	Jacob L. Shively,		P.	1894	- '1 " -	P.
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6.6	Thomas W. Salt,		P.	66	William A. Wiant,	P.
"	Henry C. Jameson,		P.	66	Calvin W. Horn,	P.
1887			P.	66	Wilbur L. Y. Davis,	P.
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66	Thomas D. Moore,		P.	1090	George H. Smith,	P.
6.6	William B. Brown,		P.	1807	Charles L. Chapman,	P.
	Thomas G. Williams,		P.	1097	Earl M. Ellsworth,	P.
1090	Oren D. Becker,		P.	6.6	James A. Jenkinson,	P
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Transfers.—The following transfers were announced: Adna W. Leonard, from the Italy Conference; Thomas W. Salt, from the Central Tennessee Conference; James P. Gilliland, from the South American Conference; John E. Thomas, from the New England Southern Conference; Elmer W. Serl, a probationer, from the Holston Conference; and Hugh G. Scudday, a probationer, from the Gulf Mission Conference.

The nominations of the Standing Committees as reported last year were read, and after a few changes they were adopted.

The Committee on Nominating Standing Committees was instructed to fill any vacancies necessary.

The Committee on Memoirs was formed as follows: For J. F. Loyd, C. C. Peale; for Adam Bowers, R. J. Wyckoff; for William Runyan, W. A. Robinson; for Mrs. M. P. Gaddis, J. J. McCabe; for Mrs. J. McD. Mathews, S. O. Royal; for Mrs. A. W. Tibbitts, J. P. Porter; for Mrs. N. McDonald, O. M. Sellers; for Mrs. Howard Henderson, F. G. Mitchell.

On motion of Gervaise Roughton, the Conference Bar was fixed at the fourth window from the front.

The Rules of Order as printed in the Minutes were adopted on motion of D. J. Starr.

The Statistical Secretary asked for instructions concerning Special Collections. It was directed that the Emergency Collections for Missions be reported as a part of the regular Missionary collection, and that a special report on that subject be printed in the Minutes.

It was also directed that the collections for Christ's Hospital and for the Home of the Aged be printed as last year.

The Thirteenth Question—" Was the character of each preacher examined?"—was called by the Bishop. Davis W. Clark, Presiding Elder of the Cincinnati District, read his report.

The names of the effective elders of the district were called,

and they gave their reports.

Heber D. Ketcham, Presiding Elder of the Dayton District, read his report, and the effective elders of the district were called, each one reporting concerning his collections.

On motion of Dr. Ketcham, the Conference requested the appointment of the following members to the same work as last year: D. L. Aultman, Field Agent of the Western Methodist Book Concern; L. E. Prentiss, Financial Secretary of the U. S. Grant University; C. F. Enyart, Professor in the Southwest Kansas College; and Guy P. Benton, President of the Miami University.

The report of the work on the Hillsboro District was read by V. F. Brown, the Presiding Elder.

Order of the Day.—At the request of Bishop Fowler, the time for receiving the Probationers into Full Connection was fixed at 9.30 A. M., Thursday.

On motion of D. L. Aultman, it was resolved that balloting for delegates to the General Conference take place immediately after the admission of the class.

The report of the work on Milford District was read by A. N. Spahr, Presiding Elder.

It was resolved that the Conference meet at half-past two this afternoon for a Statistical Session, announcement of Committees to be made at that session.

- R. K. Deem was appointed to preside at the afternoon session.
- E. S. Gaddis was voted leave of absence for to-morrow to attend a funeral.
- J. P. Porter was appointed to conduct the religious services this afternoon, and O. M. Sellers for the devotional services tomorrow morning.

Announcements were made, and the morning session adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Walden.

#### AFTERNOON.

AT half-past two R. K. Deem took the chair. J. P. Porter read the Scriptures and led in prayer.

The charges and pastors were called in regular order, and reports of collections and statistics were presented.

The Standing Committees were called, the chairman of each named time and place of meeting.

Papers on various subjects were referred to proper Committees. The session adjourned with the benediction by D. I. Aultman.

#### SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, September 3, 1903.

THE Conference opened this morning with devotions conducted by O. M. Sellers.

At nine o'clock Bishop Fowler took the chair, and the minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

On motion of A. B. Leonard, the District Missionary secretaries were instructed to gather the reports of the Emergency Fund collection for separate printing in the Minutes.

The Committee on Nominations reported changes in the Standing Committees, which were by vote adopted.

The Thirteenth Question was resumed, and C. W. Barnes, the Presiding Elder of the Springfield District, was called, and read his report.

The Seventh Question—"Who have been admitted into full membership?—was taken up as the order of the day. W. W. Reeves, J. F. Chenoweth, A. J. Kestle, W. E. Hammaker, H. G. Scudday, and Elmer W. Serl were called. Bishop Fowler addressed them and the Conference on the work of a minister, in general, and on the position and duties of a Methodist preacher, in particular, at the close of which they responded to the Disciplinary questions for admission in Full Connection.

The further consideration of the question was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The Statistical Secretary called the names of charges whose reports had not been received. He was directed to fill blanks with last year's report in case of all charges not reporting by tomorrow.

H. C. Weakley read the report of his work in connection with the Home for the Aged.

Rev. A. H. Norcross, Presiding Elder of the Columbus District of the Ohio Conference, was introduced.

Dr. J. B. Young was added to the Committee on Public Worship.

Announcements were made, and the session adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Walden.

#### THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, September 4, 1903.

Conference opened with devotional exercises at 8.45. At nine o'clock, with Bishop Fowler in the chair, the Journal

of yesterday was read and approved.

The following resolution was offered by D. J. Starr:

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed by the chair to bear the greetings of the Cincinnati Conference to the Lay Electoral Conference in session in St. Paul's Church, and invite the Lay Conference to visit this Conference in a body, at a time that may be mutually convenient, and should the invitation be accepted, report to this body a plan for the holding of a joint meeting.

The resolution was adopted, and D. J. Starr, A. B. Leonard, and R. S. Rust were appointed the Committee.

The Seventh Question—"Who are admitted into Full Membership?"-was taken up. The following names were called: A. J. Kestle, was passed to the studies of the Third Year, admitted into Full Connection and elected to Deacon's Orders; W. W. Reeves was admitted into Full Connection, passed to the Studies of the Third Year, already being in Elders' Orders; J. F. Chenoweth was passed in the studies of the Fourth Year, admitted into Full Connection, and elected to Elders' Orders; W. E. Hammaker was passed in the studies of the Fourth Year, admitted into Full Connection, and was elected to Elders' Orders; E. W. Serl passed in the studies of the Third and the Fourth Years, was admitted into Full Connection, and elected to Elders' Orders; H. G. Scudday was admitted into Full Connection, having already completed the Course of Study in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and being in Elders' Orders; C. J. Moore was continued on Trial in studies of the Second Year, and left without appointment to attend one of our schools.

C. L. Conger was elected Assistant Secretary, having charge of all registrations of undergraduates and records of examinations.

J. B. Young offered the following, which was adopted by a count vote of 71 to 51:

Resolved, That we request Bishop Fowler to transfer to this Conference Rev. Edward J. Moore, of the East Ohio Conference, and to appoint him Field Agent for the Anti-Saloon League.

D. L. AULTMAN,

J. B. Young,

W. L. Y. DAVIS,

E. BURDSAL,

C. L. CONGER,

J. Allen Geissinger.

A letter from W. W. Ramsay was read by the Secretary.

On motion of R. H. Rust, the Conference requested the Bishop to transfer him to this Conference. The Bishop announced his transfer.

Election.—The order of the day was taken up. The following were appointed tellers: A. B. Austin, C. P. Pumphrey, S. W. Bell, and U. G. Humphrey. It was directed that defective ballots be thrown out, those having more or less than the requisite number to be voted for being considered defective.

A ballot was cast for delegates to the General Conference, and the tellers retired.

The Tenth Question—" What members have completed the Conference Course of Study?"—was taken up. C. P. Pumphrey was passed in the studies of the Fourth Year. He was elected to Elder's Orders, and the Bishop was requested to leave him without appointment to attend one of our schools.

The Fifth Question—"Who have been continued on Trial?"—was taken up. Chas J. Kelch and Edward W. Lutterman were continued on Trial in the studies of the First Year, the latter to be left without appointment to attend one of our schools. Jacob J. Hawk and James M. Bailey were continued on Trial in the studies of the Second Year.

The Chairman of the Board of Stewards reported a grant to Mrs. Adam Miller of one hundred dollars after the adjournment of Conference last year. Their action was approved.

Bishop Fowler presented drafts amounting to \$22 from the Chartered Fund, and \$899 from the Book Concern Dividend for the Conference Claimants, and the drafts were ordered.

The following memorial to the General Conference was presented by F. G. Mitchell, and by vote it was adopted by the Conference:

Resolved, I. That we hereby memorialize the General Conference to amend Paragraph 165, Section 2 of the Discipline, by striking out the words "thereafter" and "but" in subsection (3), and the words "previously to such reception on trial" in subsection (4), and by inserting the word "and" in subsection (3), so that the whole section will read: "Those who (1) have been Local Preachers for two full years, and (2) also at and during the same time regular students in one of our theological seminaries, (3) shall have been received on Trial, and (4) shall have completed, satisfactorily to the Annual Conference, the first two years of the Conference Course of Study."

Resolved, 2. That the Secretary of this Conference be directed to furnish a copy of the foregoing resolution to the delegates elected to represent us in the General Conference.

Frank G. Mitchell, S. O. Royal, V. F. Brown, Heber D. Ketcham, C. W. Barnes, W. H. Wehrly, C. L. Conger.

The Thirtieth Question—" Where Shall the Next Conference be Held?" was called. An invitation from Miamisburg was accepted by unanimous vote.

V. F. Brown presented a report of the sale of property of Pike Chapel, Mowrytown Circuit, and the money received from the sale, amounting to \$50, was ordered paid to the Conference Trustees.

Episcopal Fund.—Bishop Fowler presented a communication from the Treasurer of the Episcoal Fund announcing an apportionment of \$2,071 to this Conference for the ensuing year. It was referred to the Presiding Elders for reapportionment among the charges.

- T. C. Iliff, an Assistant Secretary of the Church Extension Society, was introduced and spoke of the work under his care.
- S. H. Pye, one of the Publishing Agents of the Western Methodist Book Concern, was introduced and spoke concerning publishing interests.

Election.—The tellers having returned, the result of the vote was announced as follows: 173 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 87. A. B. Leonard having received 118, was declared elected. A second ballot was then taken.

Dr. Levi Gilbert, Editor of the Western Christian Advocate, was introduced and made an effective address concerning the work of the religious press.

The Thirteenth Question was resumed. The names of the effective elders of the Hillsboro, Milford, and Springfield Districts were called, and they reported their collections.

By vote the Conference requested the Bishop to appoint E. S. Gaddis Financial Agent for the Epworth Heights Camp-meeting Association.

C. D. Munsey and J. E. H. Sentman were each granted a superannuate relation, and the Board of Stewards were requested to consider the necessities of each.

G. H. Dart was granted a supernumery relation and he spoke earnestly concerning his ministerial life and labors.

The Bishop was requested to continue C. W. Rishell and G. L. Tufts in their present appointments.

The Second Ballot for delegates to General Conference was announced as follows: 158 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 80. J. W. Bashford having received 90 votes, was declared elected.

Brothers Munsey and Sentman spoke a few words relative to their retiring from the effective ranks of the ministry.

John Pearson presented a communication from the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church concerning trust funds and annuities, which was referred to the Board of Stewards.

A communication was read from the *Cincinnati Post* asking the privilege of taking a picture of the Conference at the close of the session. The invitation was accepted.

A communication was also read from the Cincinnati District Epworth League inviting the Conference to accept their courtesy on an excursion by boat on the Ohio River. The invitation was accepted with thanks.

The Third Ballot for General Conference Delegates was announced. Whole number of votes 161; necessary to a choice, 81. W. P. Thirkield received 96 and was declared elected.

The appointments for Sunday Services were read by J. B. Young.

The illness of Brother H. C. Hutchinson, recently a member of this Conference, was reported and the Secretary was directed to send a letter of sympathy.

On motion, the Bishop was requested to appoint F. M. Clemans Field Agent of the Anti-Saloon League.

I. R. Marshall and Charles Hartley were placed on the supernumerary list at their own request.

The Fourth Ballot was announced. Total number of votes 140; necessary to a choice, 71. There was no election.

The fifth ballot was taken, which resulted in no election.

On motion, it was decided that further balloting be postponed until to-morrow morning.

Announcements were made and the session adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Fowler.

#### FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, September 5, 1903.

THE fourth day's session of the Conference opened at eight thirty o'clock this morning with devotional exercises led by C. W. Blodgett.

At nine o'clock, Bishop Fowler called for the Journal of yesterday's session, and it was read and approved.

D. J. Starr reported for the Committee appointed to visit the Lay Electoral Conference as follows:

Your Committee appointed to visit the Lay Electoral Conference and arrange for a joint meeting of the two bodies, respectfully report that as your representatives they were most cordially received by the Lay Electoral Conference, and that after consultation with the Committee appointed for that purpose by the Lay Conference, and with Bishop Fowler, they have arranged for a fraternal meeting of the two Conferences, to be held at the opening of the session Saturday morning, and we recommend that such meeting be now held, and that the members of the Lay Electoral Conference be now invited to occupy front seats within the bar of the Conference, and that their representatives be given seats upon the platform; and that Bishop Fowler be requested to address the meeting upon behalf of the Conference, and by the Hon. D. D. Woodmansee, who has been appointed to speak on behalf of the Lay Electoral Conference.

D. J. STARR, A. B. LEONARD,

R. S. Rust,

Committee.

This report was adopted, and the members of the Lay Conference entered and occupied seats in the center of the church. Judge J. S. Kimbro, President of the Lay Conference, was introduced, and was invited to the platform.

Bishop Walden was introduced, and made remarks. Bishop Fowler then introduced Mr. D. D. Woodmansee, who spoke eloquent words of fraternal greeting. Bishop Fowler responded with forcible remarks concerning the relations between the ministry and laity.

The sixth ballot for delegates to General Conference was taken.

The Board of Stewards presented, with their commendations, the proposals of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Church providing for receiving donations on the annuity plan. It was ordered that the plan be printed in the Minutes. The Board of Stewards then read their preliminary report.

Edward McHugh asked for a supernumerary relation, and it was granted, and the Board of Stewards were directed to consider favorably his needs.

The report of the tellers on the sixth ballot for General Conference Delegates was read, which resulted in no election, and a seventh ballot was taken, which likewise resulted in no election.

On motion of W. A. Robinson, a collection was taken for Brother McHugh, which amounted to \$82.78.

J. W. Bashford, J. Verity, and W. M. Coffman were excused from further attendance on account of pressing engagements.

J. W. Bashford spoke concerning the movement for Church Federation, and on his motion the subject was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Twenty-second Question—" Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?"—was called. W. G. Warner was granted a supernumerary relation; E. T. Wells was continued in the same relation, and G. M. Hammell was granted an effective relation.

The Twenty-third Question—" Who are the Superannuated Preachers?"—was called. The list of superannuates was read, and all were continued in the same relation. (See List, p. 477.)

The Eighth Ballot was read, showing the whole number of votes cast, 153; necessary to a choice, 77. Heber D. Ketcham had received 83, and he was declared elected.

A ballot was taken for Reserve Delegates, and it was voted that the two receiving the highest number of votes should be elected.

John Pearson, Agent for the American Bible Society, was introduced and made brief remarks concerning the work of the Society.

Dr. W. L. Davidson, representing the American University, was introduced and addressed the Conference concerning that great enterprise.

For Reserve Delegates the ballot was read, showing that out of 152 votes, the whole number cast, J. A. Story had received 107 and H. C. Weakley, 74. These, being the two highest, they were declared elected.

J. W. Bashford spoke concerning the Ohio Wesleyan University.

W. A. Robinson, representing the Deaconess work, addressed the Conference.

The Fourth Question—" Who are received on Trial?" was called. Louis Oliver Hartman, recommended by the Bond Hill Quarterly Conference, was received on trial, passed in the studies of the First and Second Years, and was elected to Deacon's Orders as a local preacher.

Dr. H. C. Jennings, Agent of the Western Methodist Book Concern, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

J. F. McColm was appointed to lead the devotions this afternoon, and W. A. Wiant to lead to-morrow morning.

On motion of Dr. R. H. Rust, it was decided to hold a session this afternoon at two o'clock, for the hearing of reports and for other business.

J. B. Young was appointed to preside at the afternoon session. Announcements were made, and the session adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Fowler.

#### AFTERNOON.

AT two o'clock this afternoon J. B. Young called the Conference to order.

The report concerning the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society was read by F. C. English, and it was approved.

It was resolved to call the list of Standing Committees in alphabetical order for the hearing of reports.

G. W. Dubois presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Cincinnati Conference request the General Conference to make such alteration in the Constitution and Discipline as will make General Conference officers ex-officio delegates at large with full powers.

Resolved, That our delegates to General Conference be directed to present this memorial, in due form, to the next General Conference, and earnestly to advocate its passage.

Signed by J. Allen Geissinger, and fifty others.

The following reports were read and adopted: On Church Extension, read by O. L. Seward; on Education, read by C. M. Van Pelt; on Epworth League, read by C. P. Pumphrey; on Missions, by John Wilson; on Parsonages, by S. G. Pollard; on Sabbath Observance, by C. W. Blodgett; on State of the Church, by Howard Henderson; on Public Morals, by M. B. Fuller.

The Stewards, not having received application papers, were authorized to make a contingent appropriation of one hundred dollars for Mrs. Adam Miller, to be held by them until word comes from her.

The report of the Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern accounts was read by R. J. Wyckoff. On motion of R. H. Rust, the report was recommitted and F. G. Mitchell and W. H. Wehrly were added to the Committee.

The session then adjourned with the benediction by S. O. Royal.

#### FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, September 7, 1903.

AT half-past eight this morning the Conference assembled, and began the session with devotions led by W. A. Wiant, with Bishop Fowler in the chair.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

The transfer of William E. Verity, a probationer of the First Year from the California Conference, was announced. He was afterward reported by the Board of Examiners and passed to the studies of the Second Year.

Bishop Fowler presented the following Certificate of Ordination:

#### CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This Certifies, That on September 6, 1903, in the city of Cincinnati, Ohio, I ordained Asa J. Kestle and Louis O. Hartman, Deacons; and on the same day, and at the same place, assisted by Elders, I ordained John F. Chenoweth, Elmer W. Serl, Charles P. Pumphrey, Wilbur E. Hammaker, Elders, according to the Ritual and Usages of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Cincinnati, Ohio, September 6, 1903.

C. H. Fowler.

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William J. Baker presented the report on the American Bible Society, which was read and adopted. (See Report, page 521.)

The Statistical Reports not being complete, the Secretary was directed, on motion of C. L. Conger, to harmonize his report with that of the Treasurer, and print his report without reading.

The Report of the Milford District Missionary Secretary concerning the Emergency Fund was presented by H. W. Bailey for printing in the Minutes. (See report, page 507.)

The report on Deaconess Work was read by Gervaise Roughton and approved. (See Report, page 523.)

The recommendations of the Board were adopted by the licensing of the following five Deaconesses: Nettie Hathorn, Adda Day, Delina Fidler, Vanluah Jacques, Lelia Lybarger.

The following forty-five Deaconesses were continued in office for the ensuing year: Mary Pauline Abbott, Effie Austin, Anna R. Bassett, Azuba Buxton, Willa Cassel, Carra Close, Caraline Dau, Adda Day, Florence Deaver, Anna Dwinell, Emma Enders, L. May Eyre, Flora Faber, Delina Fidler, Dora Haines, Anna Hare, Nettie Hathorn, Kate Rawls Haynes, Ida Haer, Gertrude Holbert, Lucelia House, Emma Huston, Sarah Ireland, Vanluah Jacques, Amanda Longbrake, Lelia Lybarger, Mary McEwan, Olive Marshall, Sarah Martin, India Paff, Harriet Pellman, Ida Pennell, Hannah H. Pierce, Laura Jean Pearson, Alice Rodgers, Lotta Sinnett, Ella Slear, Bessie Smith, Clora Solomon, Lina Terrell, Alice Thatcher, Carrie Thompson, Margaret Veach, Lulu White, Sadie Williams.

On motion of D. J. Starr the time for the Memorial Service was fixed for half-past ten instead of eleven.

Bishop Walden was invited to the chair.

W. A. Robinson read the report of the Trustees of the Mears Bequest, which was received and ordered printed. (See Report, page 537.)

D. J. Starr offered the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The National Prison Congress has set apart and requested that all the Churches in the United States observe the last Sunday of October as Prison Sunday, for the purposes of gathering and disseminating information as to the causes of crime, and the remedies for crime, and for the reform of criminals; therefore,

Resolved. That, so far as we may be able to do so, we will observe this call in all our churches. W. A. ROBINSON, FRANK G. MITCHELL,

D. J. STARR, C. L. CONGER. W. H. WEHRLY,

A letter from A. D. Raleigh, Helena, Montana, acknowledging the receipt of last year's donation was read.

J. P. Porter addressed the Conference with reference to the work of the Preachers' Relief Society.

The Board of Trustees was excused for a short meeting.

The Committee on the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educacation Society was given the same privilege.

Dr. J. C. Floyd, Field Agent of the Missionary Society, and member of the Michigan Conference, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

T. P. Walter read the report of the Committee on Sunday-school work. Adopted. (See page 534.)

The Committee on Temperance reported through S. A. Keen. The report was recommitted for amendment.

Rev. G. H. Jones, a missionary from Korea, and Dr. W. F. Oldham, a Missionary Secretary, were introduced.

Memorial Service.—W. P. Thirkield was called to the chair to preside during the Memorial Service.

A brief memorial note concerning each of the following ministers, was read: J. F. Loyd, Adam Bowers, William Runyan, Mrs. M. P. Gaddis, Mrs. N. McDonald, Mrs. J. McD. Mathews, Mrs. H. A. M. Henderson.

The Memorial Sermon was then preached by J. S. Pumphrey. (For Sermon see page 549.)

On motion of G. H. Dart, the sermon was asked for printing in the Minutes as a part of the Memorial Service.

The Memoirs, as read, were adopted, with the direction that the memoir of Mrs. A. W. Tibbitts be furnished for publication.

The Fourth Question—"Who have been received On Trial?—was called by Bishop Fowler and Fred. J. Reinbarth, recommended from the South Lebanon Quarterly Conference, was received on trial.

S. A. Keen read the additions to the Temperance Report, and the Report was adopted. (See report, page 534.)

D. J. Starr offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That a letter signed by the President and Secretary of this Conference be sent to the President of the United States and to the Secretary of War, embodying the sentiments of the report on the subject of providing for the comfort of the soldiers and of the sale of opium in the Philippine Islands.

The motion was carried.

The final report of the Board of Stewards was read by J. E. Abrams, and the report was adopted. (See report, page 505.)

The report of the Treasurer was read by C. W. Horn, and it was adopted. (See report, page 507.)

By vote the Presiding Elders were requested to prepare condensed reports, not exceeding three pages each, for printing in the Minutes.

By vote it was directed that all reports next year be limited to fifteen minutes.

On motion of R. H. Rust, the Publishing Committee was authorized to proceed with the publication of the Minutes, omitting all documents not in their hands within forty-eight hours after the close of the Conference.

W. P. Thirkield, Seretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

The report of the Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern Accounts was read by J. A. Geissinger, and on motion of U. G. Humphrey, the report was recommitted, with instructions to prepare a report favorable to the *Western Christian Advocate* for Publication in the Minutes. (See Report, page 528.)

On motion of R. H. Rust, it was directed, that next year when statistical reports are not in by Thursday noon, the blanks be filled with this year's reports.

On motion of D. W. Clark, the request of H. A. M. Henderson for a superannuated relation was granted. The Conference listened with interest to a brief address by Dr. Henderson.

On motion of the Presiding Elder of the Cincinnati District, the following special appointments were provided for: W. K. Brown, Professor in Miami Military Institute; J. E. Gilbert, General Secretary of the Society for Religious Education; D. J. Starr, Chaplain of the Ohio Penitentiary; M. M. Kugler, Instructor in the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home.

On a count vote, carrying more than a two-thirds' majority, the Bishop was requested to appoint J. L. Glascock and H. G. Scudday Conference Evangelists.

J. P. Porter read the report of the Conference Trustees, and the report was received and ordered printed.

The nominations for officers of Conference Societies and Boards were read by V. F. Brown and approved. (See page 446.)

C. W. Barnes offered the following, which was adopted:

We desire to thank the Laymen for approving in this year's session of the Lay Electoral Conference the resolution passed by this Conference last year, suggesting \$600 and house as the minimum support for a pastor's family.

C. W. BARNES. HEBER D. KETCHAM, A. N. SPAHR, V. F. BROWN, D. W. CLARK.

E. S. Gaddis spoke to the Conference concerning the Epworth Heights Camp-meeting Association.

The District Missionary Secretaries were elected as follows: C. C. Peale, for the Cincinnati District; U. G. Humphrey, for the Dayton District; George W. Vorhis, for the Hillsboro District; H. W. Bailey, for the Milford District; and E. H. Cherington, for the Springfield District.

A collection for the janitor was taken, which amounted to \$16.

The Board of Managers for the Home of the Aged, to serve three years, was appointed as follows: H. C. Weakley, J. P. Porter, Mrs. Obed J. Wilson, R. W. Burns.

It was voted, that after the reading of the minutes and the announcement of the appointments, that the Conference stand adjourned.

The Journal was read and approved.

The benediction was pronounced by Bishop Fowler.

#### EVENING.

AFTER a very impressive service, in which five deaconesses were consecrated by Bishop Fowler, the appointments for the ensuing year were read, and the Conference adjourned sine die.

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

- James P. Gilliland, from South American Conference; Adna W. Leonard, from the Italy Conference; Thomas W. Salt, from the Central Tennessee Conference; John E. Thomas, from the New England Southern Conference; Elmer W. Serl, from the Holston Conference; Hugh G. Scudday, from Gulf Mission Conference; William E. Verity, probationer, from the California Conference; William W. Ramsay, from the Kentucky Conference; Edward J. Moore, from the East Ohio Conference.
  - 2. Who have been Readmitted?
  - 3. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? None.
  - 4. Who have been Received on Trial?
  - (a) In Studies of First Year.—Fred J. Reinbarth.
  - (b) IN STUDIES OF THIRD YEAR.—Louis O. Hartman.
  - 5. Who have been Continued on Trial?
- (a) In Studies of First Year.—Charles J. Kelch, Edward Lutterman.
- (b) In Studies of Second Year.—Charles J. Moore, Jacob J. Hawk, James M. Bailey, William E. Verity.
  - 6. Who have been Discontinued? None.
  - 7. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?
  - (a) ELECTED AND ORDAINED DEACONS THIS YEAR.—Asa J. Kestle.
- (b) ELECTED AND ORDAINED DEACONS PREVIOUSLY.—John F. Chenoweth, William W. Reeves, Wilbur E. Hammaker, Hugh G. Scudday, Elmer W. Serl.
  - 8. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?
- (a) Admitted into Full Membership this Year.—Asa J. Kestle, William M. Reeves.
  - 9. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year? None.
  - 10. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?
- (a) ELECTED AND ORDAINED ELDERS THIS YEAR.—John F. Chenoweth, Wilbur E. Hammaker, Elmer W. Serl, Charles P. Pumphrey.
  - (b) ELECTED AND ORDAINED ELDERS PREVIOUSLY.—Hugh G. Scudday.

11. What Others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?
(a) As Local Preachers.—Louis O. Hartman.

12. What Others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?

13. Was the Character of each Preacher Examined? It was, in open Conference.

14. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?
George V. Morris, to the Kentucky Conference; Henry C. Hutchinson, to the New England Southern; Ira E. Price, to the Northwest Indiana.

15. Who have Died? Adam Bowers, William Runyan, John F. Loyd.

16. Who have been Located at their Own Request? None.

17. Who have been Located? None.

18. Who have Withdrawn?

19. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?

None

20. Who have been Expelled? None.

21. What other Personal Notation should be made? None.

22. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

E. T. Wells, 2; Philip Trout, 2; G. H. Dart, 1; I. R. Marshall, 1; Charles Hartley, 1; Edward McHugh, 1.

23. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

L. F. Young, W. T. McMullen, J. F. Hull, S. N. Marsh, T. E. Fidler, W. H. Sutherland, G. W. Fee, J. L. Gregg, M. P. Zink, G. M. Edgar, John Vance, H. M. Keck, W. N. Maxey, S. W. Carey, T. J. Harris, S. W. Edmiston, E. P. James, J. G. Black, J. W. Hickman, J. T. Bail, S. B. Smith, W. M. West, W. P. Jackson, J. R. Hunter, L. O. Deputy, J. W. Mason, J. H. Davis, Sylvester Weeks, Charles H. Kalbfus, Charles J. Wells, J. McK. Shultz, C. D. Munsey, J. E. H. Sentman, H. A. M. Henderson.

24. Who are the Triers of Appeals?

E. Burdsall, W. A. Wiant, J. S. Pumphrey, C. M. Van Pelt, E. H. Cherington, J. P. Porter, J. C. Eckles.

25. What is the Statistical Report for this Year?
Probationers, 1,637; increase, 280. Members, 51,552; decrease, 1, 188.
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- 26. What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$64,193.
  - 27. What are the Claims on the Conference Fund? \$11,215.
- 28. What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?

\$8,699. From the Chartered Fund, etc.

- 29. Where are the Preachers Stationed? See Appointments, page 474.
- 30. Where shall the Next Conference be held? Miamisburg, Ohio.

## OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION.

Cincinnati, Ohio, September 7, 1903.

The Reports and Proceedings herewith published were adopted by the Cincinnati Annual Conference of the Methodist Spiscopal Church, at its session held September 2-7, 1903, in this city. By the rules of the Conference, these printed Minutes, together with all the Reports, were made the Official Record of its Proceedings.

C. H. Fowler.

Bishop presiding.

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Secretary.

## APPOINTMENTS.

N. B.—т. Post-office, when different from appointment, inserted in parentheses. 2. In appointments where there are two places, the first is the post-office. 3. Supplies in brackets. 4. Numerals at right hand indicate the years of service entered проп.

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DAVIS W. CLARK, Presiding Elder, 4. 220 W. Fourth St., Cincinnati, O.

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Asbury, . . . . . C. C. Peale, 1. Avondale, . . . E. P. Edmonds, 5. Christie, . . . . . C. L. Myers, 3. Clifton, . . . J. F. Chenoweth, 2. Columbia, . . . F. C. English, 4. Delta Avenue, . . . J. P. Ninde, 2. E. Pearl Street, . To be Supplied. Fairmount, . . . F. M. Kirgan, 6. First Church, Northside,

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Wesley Chapel,

Gervaise Roughton, 7. Westwood, D. G. Latshaw, 5, and S. A. Keen, I.

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R. S. Rust, Honorary Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, St. Paul (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

J. W. Bashford, President of the Ohio Wesleyan University, Walnut Hills (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

H. C. Weakley, President of the Methodist Home for the Aged, Avondale (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

Finley, . . . . . [W. W. Tranter.] W. K. Brown, Professor Miami Military Institute, St. Paul (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

> J. E. Gilbert, General Secretary of American Society of Religious Edncation, Asbury (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

D. J. Starr, Chaplain Ohio Penitentiary, Trinity (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

M. M. Kugler, Instructor in Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home, and member of Westwood Quarterly Conference.

John Pearson, Field Agent of American Bible Society, Clifton (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

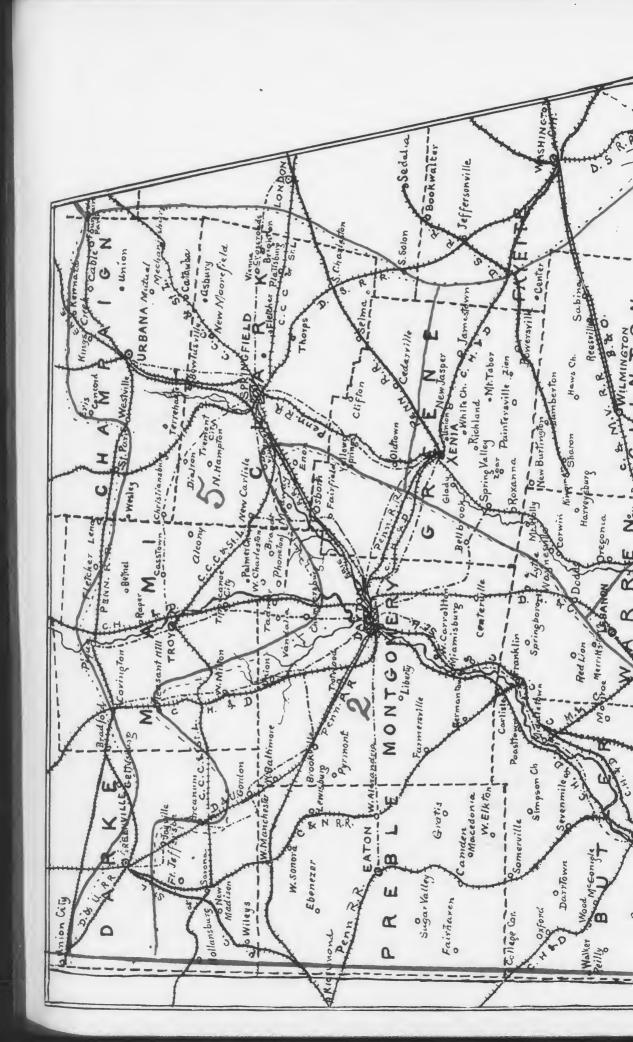
W. A. Robinson, Corresponding Secretary of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home and Christ's Hospital Association, Trinity (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

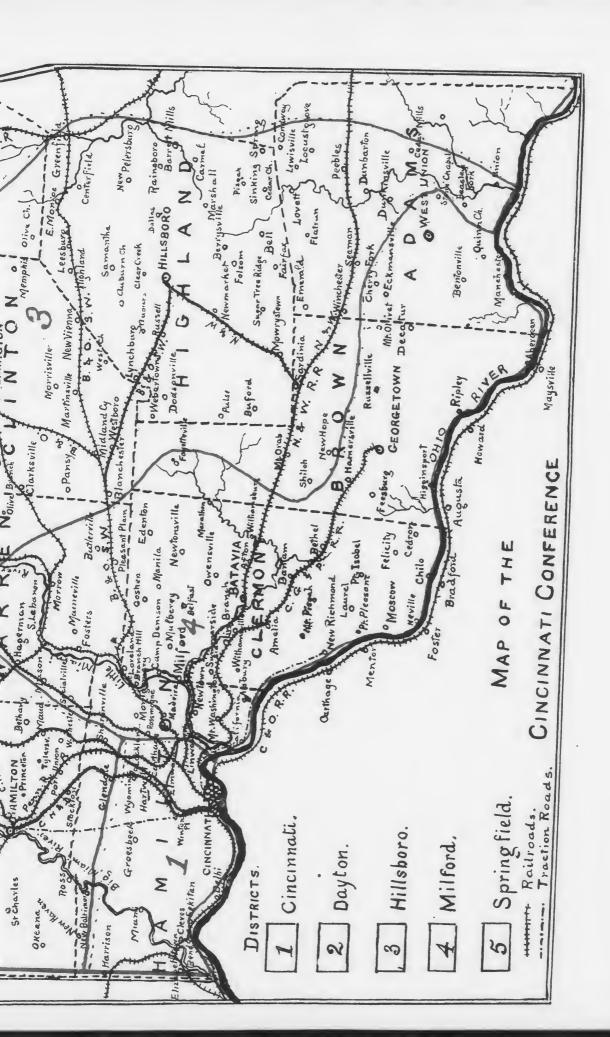
Edward W. Lutterman, left without appointment to attend some one of our schools, Asbury (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

Lockland-Wyoming, W.L.Y. Davis, 3. J. L. Glascock, Conference Evangelist, Mt. Lookout (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

> H. G. Scudday, Conference Evangelist, Mt. Anburn (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

> E. J. Moore, Field Agent of the Anti-Saloon League, Walnut Hills (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.





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H. L. Torbet, left without appointment to attend one of our schools, Grace (Dayton) · Quarterly Conference.

W. W. Reeves, left without appointment to attend one of our schools, Oxford Quarterly Conference.

F. M. Clemans, Agent Anti-saloon League, Broadway (Dayton) Quarterly Conference.

D. Lee Aultman, Field Agent Methodist Book Concern, Middletown Quarterly Conference.

W. P. Thirkield, Secretary Freed-men's Aid and Southern Education Society, Franklin Quarterly Conference.

L. E. Prentiss, Financial Secretary, U. S. Grant University, Oxford Quarterly Conference.

C. F. Enyart, Professor in S. W. Kansas University, Broadway (Dayton) Quarterly Conference.

G. P. Benton, President Miami University, Oxford Quarterly Conference.

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First Church, . . A. C. Turrell, 6. Trinity, . . . . . R. H. Rust, 2.

C. J. Moore, left without appointment to attend one of our schools, member Highland Quarterly Conference.

#### MLFORD DISTRICT.

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Williamsburg Circuit, To be Supplied.

E. S. Gaddis, Superintendent Epworth Heights Camp-meeting Association, Avondale Quarterly Conference.

#### SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

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Grace, . . . . J. L. Duckwall, 5.
High Street, . . . J. A. Story, 9.
St. Paul, . . . . J. W. Peters, 5.
Tippecanoe City, . . G. P. Austin, 3.
Tremont City,

A. D. Maddox, 4, and [A. Taylor], 1. Troy, . . . . . Geo. W. Dubois, 4. Troy Circuit, . . . . J. F. Laird, 2.

#### URBANA:

First Church, . . J. E. Abrams, 1. Grace, . . . E. H. Cherington, 6. Yellow Springs, . . B. D. Hypes, 2.

A. B. Leonard, Corresponding Secretary Missionary Society, Greene Street (Piqua) Quarterly Conference.

- C. W. Rishell, Professor in Boston C. P. Pumphrey, left without appointment to attend one of our schools, Church (Springfield) Quarterly member Arcanum Quarterly Con-Conference.
- G. L. Tufts, Agent Anti-Saloon League. New Carlisle Quarterly Conference.
- member Arcanum Quarterly Conference.

## SUPERNUMERARY PREACHERS.

N. B.—Figures after the names indicate the number of years of effective service, those before the number of years in present relation.

 E. T. Wells, 35, . . . Toledo, O.
 Philip Trout, 12, . . . Springfield, O. 

## SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

W. N. Maxey, 9, . . . . Lynchburg Quarterly Conference. W. T. McMullen, 15, . . . Owensville Quarterly Conference. S. N. Marsh, 13, . . . . Fresno, Cal. G. M. Edgar, 34. . . . Troy Quarterly Conference. George W. Fee, 28, . . . Mt. Orab Quarterly Conference. J. W. Hickman, 14, . . . Delaware, O.
L. F. Young, 23, . . . . Georgetown Quarterly Conference.
J. T. Bail, 49, . . . . Norwood Quarterly Conference.
S. B. Smith, 45, . . . . R. No. 4, Grand Rapids, Michigan.
W. P. Jackson, 33, . . . Blanchester Quarterly Conference.
W. W. West, 27 W. P. Jackson, 33, . . . . Blanchester Quarterly Conference.
W. M. West, 27, . . . . Newtown Quarterly Conference.
J. R. Hunter, 29, . . . Lebanon Quarterly Conference.
L. O. Deputy, 18, . . . Madisonville, Cincinnati.
Sylvester Weeks, . . . Pensacola, Fla.
J. W. Mason, 44, . . . . Springfield, Milford Quarterly Conference.
J. H. Davis, 26, . . . . Rainsboro, O.
C. J. Wells, 25, . . . . Norfolk, Va., Hillsboro Quarterly Conference.
C. H. Kalbfus, 30, . . . Yellow Springs.
J. McK. Shultz, 41, . . . New Carlisle.
J. E. H. Sentman, 26, . . . Williamsburg, O.
C. D. Munsey, 24, . . . . Cleveland, Tenn.
Howard Henderson, 47, Hartwell, O.

## III.

## Directory.

## BISHOPS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

NAME.	Born.	Entered Minis	TRY.	Consecra Bishop.	Programme			
ANAME.	JOKN.	Conference.	Yr.	ecra'd shop	RESIDENCE.			
Thomas Bowman	. 16, 182; 7, 182; 4, 183; 11, 183; 11, 182; 11, 182; 23, 183; 27, 183; 11, 183; 5, 184; 7, 183; 11, 183; 27, 184; 4, 183;	Ohio	1846 1848 1855 1857 1858 1858 1861 1853 1862 1859 1859 1860 1867 1867 1864	1872 1872 1880 1880 1884 1884 1888 1888 1888 1888	Chicago, Ill. New York, N. Y. Univer'y Park, Colo Philadelphia, Pa. Cincinnati, O. Auburndale, Mass. Buffalo, N. Y. Zurich, Switzerl'd. St. Lonis, Mo. Minneapolis, Minn. Chattanooga, Tenn. Bombay, India. Omaha, Neb. Portland, Ore. Funchal, Madeirals! Calcutta, India. Shanghai, China.			

<sup>\*</sup>Missionary Bishops.

## MEMBERS AND PROBATIONERS.

Note.—1. Sa. stands for Superannuated, Sn. for Supernumerary. 2. All post-offices in Ohio except where otherwise stated.

Abrams, J. E., Urbana. Armacost, H. E., New Carlisle. Aultman, D. Lee, Cincinnati. Austin, A. B., Greenville.
Austin, G. P., Tippecanoe City.
Bail, J. T. (Sa.), Sta. H, Cincinnati. Bailey, H. W., Ripley.
Bailey, J. M., Sinking Spring.
Baker, W. J., Felicity.

Barnes, C. W., Springfield.

Bashford, J. W., Delaware.

Becker, O. D., Ross.

Beery, J. E., Sta. H, Cincinnati. Bell, S. W., Miamisburg. Benton, G. P., Oxford. Black, J. G. (Sa.), New Carlisle. Blodgett, C. W., Cincinnati. Briggs, C. W., Lynchburg.

Brown, V. F., Hillsboro.
Brown, W. K., Cincinnati.
Brown, Wn. B., Summerside. Burdsall, E., Winton Place. Campbell, S. W., Arcanum. Carey, S. W. (Sa.), Urbana. Chapman, C. L., Fair Haven. Chenoweth, John F., Cincinnati. Cherington, E. H., Urbana. Clark, Davis W., Cincinnati. Clemans, F. M., Dayton. Coffman, W. M., Waynesville. Colley, J. R., Delhi.

Conger, C. L., Springfield. Cowgill, A. T., South Charleston. Crum, C. T., Amelia. Cundy, T., Bowersville.

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Curless, H. G., Springfield. Dalbey, J. L., Dialton. Darling, J. D., Williamsburg. Dart, G. H. (Sn.), Hamilton.

Davis, J. H. (Sa.), Rainsboro. Davis, L. M., Loveland.

Davis, Wilbur L. Y., Wyoming. Deaton, W. A., Hillsboro.

Deem, R. K., Sabina. Deputy, L. O. (Sa.), Madisonville. Dubois, G. W., Troy. Duckwall, J. L., Springfield. Dunham, W. J., New Richmond. Easton, G. S., Leesburg. Easton, J. A., Winchester.

Eckles, J. C. Cincinnati. Edgar, G. M. (Sa.), Hillsboro. Edmiston, S. W. (Sa.), Winchester. Edmonds, E. P., Avondale, Cin'ti. Elliott, C. W., Dayton. Ellsworth, E. M., Cincinnati.

English, F. C., Cincinnati. English, W. D., Red Lion.

Enyart, C. F., Winfield, Kan. Ewry, D. S., Decatur. Fee, G. W. (Sa.), Mt. Orab.

Fidler, T. E. (Sa.), Upper Sandusky. Fuller, M. B., Cincinnati. Fulton, G. M., Goslien.

Gaddis, J. W., West Carrollton. Gaddis, E. S., Loveland. Geissinger, J. A., Cincinnati.
Gilbert, Jas. E., Washington, D. C.Gilliland, Jas. P., Lewisburg.
Glascock, J. L., Mt. Lookout, Cin'ti.
Gray, W. S., Mainvelle.

Hartman, L. O.

Hawk, J. J., McGonigle. Henderson, H. A. M. (Sa.), Hartwell.

Hershey, H., New Jasper. Hickman, J. W. (Sa.), Delaware, O. Hill, J. R., Highland.

Hoffman, O. P., Seven Mile. Hollingsworth, E. L., Kings Creek. Horn, C. W., Georgetown. Hull, J. F. (Sa.), Rowland, Ala.

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# Conference Studies.

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## b. ASSIGNMENT OF BOOKS AND STUDIES.

**Section 1.** W. A. ROBINSON.—Extemporaneous Oratory, *Buckley*; Preparation and Delivery of Sermons, *Broadus*; Essays and Syllabi, Class of Fourth Year.

Section 2. C. M. VAN PELT.—Outlines of Bible History, Hurst; Essays and Syllabi of Candidates for Admission.

**Section 3.** G. W. Dubois.—English and American Literature, *Beers*; Sermons and Syllabi, Class of First Year; Sermons and Syllabi, Class of Third Year.

Section 4. J. A. STORY.—Exegetical Studies in the Pentateuch, Warren; Exegetical Studies in Isaiah, Warren; The Foundations of the Christian Faith, Rishell; Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, Walker.

Section 5. J. P. Porter.—Lessons in Logic, Jevons; Essentials of Argumentation, McEwen; Christian Purity, or, The Heritage of Faith, Foster; Essays and Syllabi, Class of Second Year.

Section 6. J. E. ABRAMS.—Christian Ethics, Smyth; The Land of Israel, Stewart; Plain Account of Christian Perfection, Wesley.

Section 7. U. G. Humphrey.—Outlines of Universal History, Fisher; Students' American History, Montgomery; Introduction to the Gospel Records, Nast.

Section 8. A. J. GEISSINGER.—Biblical Hermeneutics, Terry; One Thousand Questions on Methodism, Wheeler; Sermons and Essays of Local Preachers.

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Section 9. W. H. WEHRLY.—Systematic Theology, Miley; Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience, Merrill; Christian Baptism, Merrill.

Section 10. J. A. White.—English Branches; Life of John Wesley, Telford; Systematic Theology, Raymond; Smaller Scripture History, Smith.

Section II. A. C. TURRELL.—Outlines of Descriptive Psychology, Ladd; Primer of Psychology, Ladd; Larger Catechism, Nast; Sermons of Candidates for Admission; Books Read by Local Preachers.

Section 12. A. B. Austin.—Introduction to Sociology, Fairbanks; Short History of the Christian Church, Hurst; History of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Vol. I, Stevens; Principles of Rhetoric, Hill.

Section 13. M. B. FULLER.—Introduction to Holy Scriptures, Harman; History of Methodism (abridged), Stevens; History of the Christian Church, Hurst; Theological Compend, Binney.

Section 14. F. G. MITCHELL.—Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1900; Digest of Methodist Law (edition of 1900), Merrill.

#### c. EXAMINATIONS.

EXAMINATIONS will be held, at places to be named by the Chairman, on the first Thursday in December 1903, and on the last Thursday in June, 1904, and at the seat of Conference, at 9 A. M., the day before the Conference session of 1904.

Examinations in December will be in:

FIRST YEAR.—Christian Purity; or, The Heritage of Faith, Foster; Preparation and Delivery of Sermons (Parts 1, 2), Broadus; Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1900 (Parts 1-5).

SECOND YEAR.—Outlines of Universal History, Fisher; Preparation and Delivery of Sermons (Parts 3-5), Broadus; Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1900 (Part 6 to end).

THIRD YEAR.—Exegetical Studies in the Pentateuch, Warren; History of the Christian Church, Vol. I, Hurst; Written Sermon.

FOURTH YEAR.—Exegetical Studies in Isaiah, Warren; History of the Christian Church, Vol. II, Hurst; The Foundations of the Christian Faith, Rishell.

#### RULES FOR EXAMINATIONS.

- 1. New lists of questions shall be prepared for each regular examination, and each list shall be properly folded for filing, and indorsed with the title of the text-book, and the name and address of the examiner.
- 2. The maximum number of questions on any branch shall be twenty the minimum, ten.
  - 3. Each examiner shall retain one copy of his own questions.
- 4. At all examinations the paper used shall be of letter size and of good quality.
- 5. The answers given on any study shall be folded and indorsed with the title of the text-book, and the name and address of the student.

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- 6. At the close of an examination, the examiner in charge shall at once send all lists of questions to the Chairman of the Board.
- 7. The examiner in charge shall seal each envelope containing answers to questions, address it to the proper examiner, and permit the student to stamp and mail it.
- 8. Each examiner shall send grades promptly to the registrar and to the student.
- 9. Grades recorded by the registrar shall not be changed, except with the consent of the Board.
- 10. No student securing a grade of 70 per cent or more shall be re-examined.
- II. The examiner shall retain all papers of undergraduates until the student has completed the course.

## d. CLASSES.

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66	66				William E. Verity.
FIRST	YEAR,				Edward W. Lutterman.
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# Reports.

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## PRESIDING ELDERS.

## CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

DAVIS W. CLARK, Presiding Elder.

In two successive years the Cincinnati Conference is invited to hold its session within the bounds of the Cincinnati District. Never were invitations more hearty than those extended by Walnut Hills and Wesley Churches. It was hoped that this double entertainment of the Annual Conference might be followed by the convening of the General Conference in our city in May next. It is now known that the Queen City was the only real rival of Los Angeles. On this issue our watchword is,—General

Conference, Cincinnati, 1908.

Some personal notation should be made at this point. No change has occurred in the company of our honored fathers and brethren, the superannuated members of this body,—W. H. Sutherland, J. T. Bail, Sylvester Weeks, T. J. Harris, L. O. Deputy. At the close of our last session there came to my district by special transfer two brethren, J. Elbert Thomas and Elmer W. Serl, who took the difficult places assigned them, and have worked with marked success during the year. We are under obligations to other Conferences who do the trying of our young preachers for us. Two of my brethren, Gervaise Roughton and J. R. Colley, by the generosity of their congregations have been privileged to visit their birthplaces across the sea, and to look once more into the faces of their aged parents after long absence. Dr. Edward McHugh during his critical illness had many tokens of the universal esteem in which he is held by the members of this body and the laity at large. Upon our dear comrade in the Church militant, Dr. Howard Henderson, there has fallen the heaviest possible bereavement in the loss of his loved companion.

I am now driven by the limitation of time to a choice between the briefest reference to each charge and pastor in succession, or a general view of the district as a whole. For obvious reasons I choose the latter course, although regretfully, as it deprives me of the pleasure of individual commendation. However, if from the survey of larger facts and tendencies I can make sentient, and stimulate hope for certain desired ends, my brethren will gain more largely than they can by any mere personal

mention.

Before passing to this survey I must refer to our philanthropies. This city and district is to be congratulated upon acquiring what is destined to become one of the most superb eleemosynary foundations in the Ohio Val-

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ley,-the Methodist Home for the Aged. On land, generously donated by Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Wilson, of Clifton, crowning the heights of College Hill, the proposed building will stand for generations to come, a memorial to kindness and a shelter to the homeless aged. Mrs. John L. Whetstone, of Mt. Auburn, will erect the central administration pavilion as a memorial to her husband, one of the distinguished laymen of Cincinnati. The name of Dr. H. C. Weakley as projector will be indissolubly linked with this enterprise. Samuel Hannaford, architect.

The superior and kindly service at Christ Hospital has brought more patients to its doors than can be possibly accommodated. This has led Mr. James N. Gamble, one of the founders, to plan extensive enlargement, which when completed will cost upwards of \$40,000. The improvement consists in the adding of a fourth story, and of an ice, electric-light, and laundry plant under a separate roof. Seven hundred and one patients were treated and 342 operations performed during the fiscal year. For one-third of this service no charge was made. The Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home continues its many-sided and helpful ministries. The association is singularly fortunate in the person of its Corresponding Secretary, Dr. William A. Robinson. Glenn Home wears an honored name in local Methodism, and is under conduct of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The vitality of the district further shows itself in the erection of new churches. The enlargement and refitting of our church at Avondale at an expense of \$10,000 will make it practically a new edifice. Dr. Eugene P. Edmonds, pastor. The enterprise in Norwood, which was already under contemplation, was precipitated by the fire which completely destroyed its edifice, and set the congregation adrift without a roof over its head. Under the leadership of the pastor, John E. Beery, and with the consent of the Board of Church Location, a new site has been selected. The lot is 150 by 141 feet. The new building will be of concrete, brick, and wood. The seating capacity of auditorium and connecting rooms will be eight hundred. Estimated cost, \$14,800. The present undertaking in Linwood strikingly illustrates the possible migrations of a Church's population. The first illustrates the possible migrations of a Church's population. church was built in Red Bank in 1875. After twenty years it was discovered that the constituency had shifted so much that there were actually more members living in Linwood than in Red Bank. The society therefore transferred to the former place. This was not the creation of a new Church, but only a change of base. For seven years the congregation has worshiped in the Town Hall. Under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. J. Elbert Thomas, a finely located lot on Eastern Avenue and Linwood Road has been purchased, 87 by 120 feet, for \$1,600. Charles Crapsey, architect. The new church at Reading is the first English-speaking Protestant Church in this town for a third of a century. Mr. Fred Shierloe organized a Sunday-school about a year ago, which had a large attendance at once. The school has developed into a Methodist society, which recently bought a lot on the main street and has erected a chapel. It is demonstrated in this instance that inexpensiveness is not synonymous with ugliness. There is a harmony of coloring and proportion outside and in which makes the structure a thing of beauty. It was my joy and honor to dedicate the church July 19th, free of debt, and without any collection save a free-will offering. On invitation forty persons came to the altar and presented themselves for membership. A young and vigorous society in a needy place awaits the appointment of a pastor. This successful issue could not have been secured except for the personal supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Roettinger, of Wyoming.

For an account of the aggressive work of the City Missionary Society, Dr. I. D. Jones president, the Conference is referred to the report of the superintendent, Mr. Jesse R. Clark. The young life of the Church is splendidly organized in the District Epworth League, Mr. Sam W. Bell president. The Charles Wesley Brotherhood has an inspiring leader in

the person of Mr. L. A. Burrell president. Several of the Sunday-schools have phenomenal increase of attendance through the service of that phenomenal Sunday-school canvasser, Mr. B. H. Cox, of Kansas City. The report of the Conference Treasurer will show in the most significant manner the fidelity and skill with which the pastors have presented the great benevolences of the Church, and the liberality with which our parishioners

have made their responses.

The ministers and communicants of this district deserve the congratulation of the Conference upon a great achievement. Three years ago the mortgage indebtedness of the district amounted to \$39,087.86. To-day it stands at \$3,500, and this amount entirely covered by bona fide subscriptions; so that I may report, probably for the first time in its history, the entire property of the district free of debt. The mortgages have been released of record, and burned in the sight of a happy people. The liquidation has taken place at the rate of \$13,000 per annum; but in point of fact \$22,702.25 were paid in the single year just passed. Our Roman Catholic friends have a class of priests whom they call Irremovable. They have this honor because they have ridden their parishes of debt. If the Methodist Church put the same premium upon monetary thrift, seventeen of my pastors would be beyond the power of a bishop to make them other assignments. The whole corps of pastors and many other ministers resident in Cincinnati co-operated by personal efforts and generous gifts. The widespread interest is indicated by the fact that there were upwards of four hundred individual subscribers. Highest possible honor attaches to the district Twentieth-century Thank-offering Commission: James N. Gamble, Jesse Bowman Young, commissioners appointed by Cincinnati Conference; John E. Jones, Jesse R. Clark, appointed by Board of District Stewards; Philip Roettinger, H. B. Patterson, appointed by City Missionary Society; L. A. Burrell, added as financial secretary; Davis W. Clark, presiding elder, president ex-officio. Bishop David H. Moore aided splendidly, as did our

resident bishop, Bishop Walden.

Around the city of Cincinnati there is a belt which is neither flesh, fish, nor fowl; neither city, suburb, nor country. Dotted here and there through this strip are chapels which were once connected with circuits, and in which good congregations met for worship. The earlier generation is gone, the present is scattered. The farms are subdivided, and occupied in most instances by German truck gardeners. There stands the chapel surrounded by its God's half acre! The conditions present a problem as perplexing as any city enigma. Sunday-schools are still maintained in every one of these chapels. If the schools were to be disbanded, it is improbable that the children would go anywhere else. In some instances, to my knowledge, the scholars already have to walk three miles to attend. The chapel forms a social and intellectual, as well as religious, rendezvous for the young people of the neighborhood. When preaching is announced congregations varying from a score to several scores attend. The conditions of these neighborhoods' are destined to be further changed by the network of traction ways now forming. These will certainly either increase the population of the locality, or make it possible for the residents to reach a suburban or even city Church quickly and inexpensively. In the former case it is evident that the chapel should be sustained; in the latter they may be abandoned; but in either case it would seem wise to maintain them until time shall decide their future. The difficulty of sustaining regular preaching services is evident. The contributing membership of the societies is so depleted that their contributions are not sufficient for the support of the preachers. While the territory is palpably missionary, there is no appropriation. At this juncture one of my suburban Churches makes a generous proposition. It guarantees a handsome sum toward the support of a minister, on condition that the three adjacent country charges pledge a certain other sum, and on the further conditions that the incumbent shall

be the associate pastor of the suburban Church. The outcome of this experiment is looked for with deep interest as a possible aid to the solution

of the problem suggested-a problem far from local.

A popular magazine in a current number says editorially: "The minister is one of the world's workmen. Some ministers work more than others; some work more wisely than others; but all work." If this be true, the minister is entitled to fair remuneration. Unhappily in many instances he is not so requited. If the Church were more equitable it would not need to be so benevolent. If estimates for ministerial support were more adequate, and salaries were paid more promptly, the ranks of Conference claimants would be depleted, and that collection would be unnecessary, except in cases of extreme emergency. The Presiding Eldership of this district stands for increased ministerial support. It is gratifying to report an aggregate gain in annual estimates during the past three years of \$4,095. Instead of adding three men to our ministerial corps at a salary of \$1,365 each, we have added the combined salaries of three men to that of the men already in the service. With debts removed and bills for interest stopped, the good work of remunerating the ministers more adequately can go on without unduly burdening the congregations.

Much stress has been laid in this report upon offerings, buildings, and betterments. The pastors of the Cincinnati District know that the Church does not consist in these things. These are accidents, not substance. The essential to the Church is *people*. Ecclesia means assembly; men, women, and children. The chief calling of the ministry is to build these as living stones into the Spiritual Temple. In this there has been gratifying success.

## DAYTON DISTRICT.

HEBER D. KETCHAM, Presiding Elder.

The highest encomium ever placed upon human character is the heaven-inspired call to the Christian ministry. Its claims are urgent, its authority is absolute, and its pledge of power supreme. There is, therefore, a required success of every true herald, which should drive him to the depths of anguish and prayer if he does not possess it, and lead to a more conquering faith if he does. In the report of the work of the Dayton District, it seems to us that there is just one test that is worthy of mention; that is, have we been able to save men?

I would, if possible, gather the deeds of our forty-four itinerant heralds, our twenty-four local preachers, our three exhorters, our seventy-four churches, and our twelve thousand members, and test them alone by the standards of a spiritual awakening, whose seal was found in the souls that were saved. Self-seeking ministers, ease-loving students of morals, godless laymen are a curse to any Church. Out upon them! May heaven

defend us against them!

As a class our preachers are well prepared, deeply devoted, and the wonder is so many do so uniformly well. Since the days when fishermen, quondam zealots, tradesmen, and tax-gatherers formed the first Apostolic College, the inwrought conviction to preach seems to fasten upon the consciences of clear-brained, two-fisted, clean-tongued human nature, born in mediocrity, nurtured in self denial, and wrought into power alone by the Spirit of God. The men of the ministry may be termed average men, yet they are great in a Divine fellowship and in the conscious conviction of an inner call.

In the twelve months past no shroud has darkened any household in the active Conference rank. One in our local ministry, J. H. Paine, while supplying at Brookville as an assistant pastor, died. He had been a local

preacher for almost a half-century, and with the zeal of youth entered his work, but soon was taken from us. One home in our honored roll was stricken. Mrs. Gaddis, wife of Maxwell P. Gaddis, of sainted memory, and mother of our own Eugene Gaddis, was fatally hurt in a runaway accident. Her residence for years had been in Dayton, and her membership in Grace Church. She was deeply devoted, a determined Methodist, an uncompromising Christian. When she fell asleep it was at the evening time of contented toil, safe in the kingdom of conscious fellowship with God.

In summarizing the field for a report, we desire to throw six peaks to the sunlight, that the winds of our prosperity may the better circle about them.

I. Our Material Gains.—New Madison (\$20), Hollandsburg (\$20), Ebenezer (\$60), Camden (\$180), New Baltimore (\$290), West Chester (\$345), Union on the West Milton Circuit (\$58), Centerville (\$250), Bellbrook (\$300), Eaton (\$475), St. Paul in Dayton (\$1,360), Middletown (\$1,500), and Bethany (\$100), have all improved and beautified the church buildings, at an aggregate cost of \$4,778, at which last place J. H. Lease presents the finest example of youth in age in the active ranks of the Conference.

Four items are worthy of note in regard to our parsonages. At Fair Haven a new parsonage is projected at a cost of \$2,000, fully covered by subscriptions. All credit to C. L. Chapman. During the year St. Paul in Dayton has come into possession of the house in which the pastor has been living, valued at \$5,000, with other assests balancing the debt, leaving but \$1,500. Grace, Dayton, has purchased a new site on the Boulevard, overlooking the Big Miami, for a parsonage, which in all is to cost \$11,000. At Oxford, after an itinerancy of three moves during the year, the pastor, C. M. Van Pelt, is settled in the new parsonage, a modern brick veneer, on the lot next to the church.

Two new buildings were dedicated early in the year. The Church at Osborn, convenient, attractive, planned, and generaled by the pastor, R. E. Smith, was dedicated, with the \$1,600 of debt covered by \$1,800 of giltedged subscriptions. Woodward Avenue, dedicated at the opening of the year of O. L. Utter's pastorate, cost \$1,600, all of which was raised and paid, and that without one dollar from the Church Extension Society. In this Church are found the forces of what is the best testifying society in the Dayton District.

Three new enterprises are also under way. West Carrollton, under the leadership of the devoted John Gaddis, has planned a new church to cost \$15,000, of which \$8,000 have been pledged to be paid on eight rally days, three months apart. At Miamisburg the five years' pastorate of J. E. Abrams is being crowned with honor in the new beautiful stone church, to be dedicated September 20th. Centrally located, fronting the park, itself attractive and commodious, modern in every feature, and of gray-blue Delaware stone to the old English cap of the tower, the church is a fit home for the worship of one of our most favored and loyal congregations. The invitation is hereby extended to hold the next session of the Cincinnati Conference in this new church.

A second five years' pastorate in the district is being completed at Raper in Dayton by J. J. McCabe, whose administration has been so signally blessed of God.' The old Raper of the sacred sixty years past has given place to the new. Though the walls have fallen, the shouts still circle, for memory easily lifts the old back into form; and we trust the "Amens" will soon be as much at home under the new arches as in the old rectangle. The structure will cost \$45,000, \$24,000 being already paid, and stands on the site of the old, where the seas of humanity meet and men need to be saved. It has flung its pressed-brick, stone-capped, slateroofed, Gothic form heavenward, to stand a veritable giant in the clanging avenues of trade, to challenge hell in transit and compel men to believe.

II. Our Benevolent and Philanthropic Work.—All our benevolences are measuring up, and we feel confident will in every line surpass last year. In May we devoted the first part of our bicentennal program to the missionary thought, and had the splendid help of our Missionary Secretary, A. B. Leonard, and new Field Agent, J. C. Floyd. Our other collections have all been carefully presented. Among them in particular we would note the Freedmen's Aid cause, whose presentation by one of its secretaries, W. P. Thirkield, a member of our Dayton District, has been well commended. In our benevolent plan we believe in the distributed gains all along the line, for there is no permanent benefit to any cause in a spasmodic advance which would lead to a too sanguine policy and a consequent reaction in the field. We would almost feel the Church would be wise in recommending an equitable distribution of the moneys raised, regardless of the special representation that brought the larger gains.

Whether the plan proposed for the consolidating of our benevolences shall carry or not, one thing is certain, no scheme born of the desire to lessen the demands for Christian giving in the aggregate will ever be sanctioned of Providence. Every one of these causes has seemed heaven-

sent.

We lament the lack of better support for our honored superannuates, disabled by the intense demand of itinerant toil. Yet the time will probably never come when the pension plan will be in vogue. The people will never give above the absolute need. In fact, better salaries while working, and help according to necessity will best secure the Church in both its might and morals.

Among all the appeals none come with more touching tenderness than those for the Home of the Aged, where weary pilgrims may rest, and the deaconess and hospital work. The deaconesses, with faces unveiled to reflect the glory of God, stand at the crossing avenues of sin, or walk the ways of grief, messengers of purity to the degraded, angels of mercy to the sorrowing. May heaven defend their hallowed work, and bring the thousands of our gold into their needy coffers!

In the line of philanthropy, aside from the regular, our best organized work is in the Anti-saloon League. F. M. Clemans has done splendid work in the Miami Valley in leading the fight, until compelled to retire to his

home in Fayette County for a needed rest.

What shall be done with our cities? and in the ebb of its repeated echo the country work has been drifting out. Emigration is to the centers, nor can this be stopped. Our question is, How can we supplement the country work? where more character is created to the square sermon and square home, if not square acre, than any place in the universe besides. The process with our young converts seems, however, to be—convert them, instruct them, and ticket them for town; so that the circuit preacher feels he is forever rolling the Sisyphean stone. You may take a line from the southern edge of our district within ten miles of the Cincinnati smoke, midway between the Miami and the Indiana line, and travel straight through for sixty miles until you strike the placid contentment of the Springfield District in Darke County, and, barring out an exception or two, you will scarcely find a branch of Zion flourishing enough to be a contented resting-place for the dove from the ark. Men like Becker, Jenkinson, Hoffman, and others seem able for the time to stay the tide. But who will follow them? Our country people should equal their advancing demands upon the ministry with their greater gifts to the cause. Yet there ought to be a sustentation fund somehow created, to throw into the hard and all but abandoned places, away from the centers, a force strong enough to save our neglected fields and help to stop the awful tide of Sabbath desceration which is cursing the youth with a godless education.

There is also a phase of our combined country-city problem which, we believe, deserves special attention. We are losing hundreds of members every year by a lax plan of transference. United Methodism has been too much divided. Country and city have been too far apart. Our people should recognize that when they unite with the Church they join the Methodist Episcopal Church of the world, and not of a local society. When the residence is changed, the agreement of the people should sanction the transference of the membership, and that without any lay medium, so that the pastors, without even a request, except to know to what city Church, should send to the new pastor the letter.

IV. Over against the country problem we desire to put Our City Need. Dayton Methodism has in round numbers four thousand members, with a constituency of twice that size. We have no pronounced slum element, therefore less need for the Salvation Army plan. What we do need is Methodism in touch with men. Each one of our Churches has its individual character, and should emphasize that individual quality, that all classes of society may be reached.

Grace Church, capable, central, destined for commanding influence, with H. C. Jameson, so recently come to this kingdom of opportunity, should ever remain a cultured center for Dayton Methodism. Raper, well generaled by J. J. McCabe, should find its adaptation in the great industrial problems so vital in our American life. Broadway, with its pastor, C. W. Elliott, a born organizer, with Woodward and Homestead Avenues on the wings, must dominate West Dayton. Trinity is a veritable "people's Church," with all North Dayton an undisputed constituency. Riverdale, led by W. E. Hammaker, gathers its strength from the settled, substantial, newer Dayton, while St. Paul, where J. G. Vaughan is completing the only double five years' pastorate in the Conference, is a Church among the homes. We trust in the not far future it will add an audience-room to a remodeled structure, and become the new East Dayton cathedral of Methodism.

During the summer a new departure has been tried by Earle Ellsworth, of Trinity, in open-air services at three different points of North Dayton. The plan has been so successful that hundreds have heard the gospel who would have wandered aimlessly about, and the Church itself is now in the midst of a genuine awakening as a result.

A new enterprise has been started at Lindenwald in Hamilton. For four years C. E. Schenk, our pastor there, has led the forces to ever-increasing success, augmenting the membership, paying the debt, measuring up with every demand of the widening horizon, and now has succeeded in organizing a new society at Lindenwald, backed by the First Church and asking for an assistant pastor. What is this but the readopted, wisely-arranged, two-men circuit plan of early Methodism. We trust the example will be catching. Even a Church, situated as Middletown, with a leader such as U. G. Humphrey, who never knows how to fail, might double its strength. A great Church with its satellites is better than the scattering comets struggling under the curious gaze of a pitying public.

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V. Our Problem of Methodist Education.—We lament the fact that our younger Methodism is not better instructed in the doctrines and discipline of the Church. Early Methodism had its weaknesses, but one thing was certain, the people knew the cardinal features for which Methodism stood, and could awaken even in the midnight at the call of the trumpet to defend them. Our Edworth League has come to the kingdom to stay the declining testimony in the Church and to better drill the new recruits. Though the class-meeting had been for one hundred years the best school of experimental divinity known to Christendom, yet it had been slain in the house of its friends when God called the League into life. Our Junior work rivals the regular in the urgency of its real worth. Too much stress can not be laid upon "diligently instructing the children in every place."

The prime requisite upon a minister is to be able to preach. Yet not one man in the district is succeeding who undervalues the pastoral part, and none are best serving the future who are lax in the work for the children. There is a crying and absolute need to better emphasize infant baptism, organize the children into classes, and better instruct the youth.

In educating our people in Methodism, we feel, too, that the Book Concern should be in more vital touch with the members of the Church. The average Methodist knows and cares little for it. We commend the wisdom which sends into the field a special herald like D. Lee Aultman, who has literally traveled through the connection. On fire with zeal for God, in touch with vital Methodism, he has done much in spreading our

We might carry the suggestion of education into its more distinctive The Ohio Wesleyan University, as a queen from her throne, commands the loyal devotion of her ten thousand admirers, and we trust may never lose her supreme influence in the life of Ohio. We are, however, not blind to the educational trend of the day, as seen in the Miami Military Academy, under the direction of Colonel Brown, at Germantown, and the Miami University, both within our district. State education in the higher branches, with an unlimited public treasury back of it, is an assured fact in Ohio. Whether we look askance at the new departure or welcome the State-robed visitor to our intellectual friendship, the State school is here to stay. The question now is, How can we put Christian men into the control of these centers of destined power? At Oxford, the honored Miami has called to the presidency Guy Potter Benton, a recently accepted member of this Conference. He has already won just recognition in his chosen field, is a successful champion of higher learning, a genial friend, and a straightout Methodist preacher withal. We trust Miami's Presbyterian foundation, State superstructure, and Methodist capping may bring its hundreds and thousands into the kingdom of God.

VI. We come now to the thought which lies nearest the heart of a The inclement weather Methodist preacher, our aggressive evangelism. made difficult our special efforts. The three largest results were in Dayton itself—at St. Paul, with 110 conversions; Broadway, with 77; and Raper, with 53—while the largest country gain was reported at Fair Haven. Despite all difficulties, it flashed along the district wire that 500 were converted to God. For two years I have walked with my brethren. I have lived alone in their sorrows, and rejoiced in their triumphs. I have entered with them the valley of prayer. I have stood with them in the hour of their appeal. They are men of God, and have done great good. Yet from the vantage point of faith, while the gleanings have sustained our Church's life, it seems to us the field has received back to itself the greater harvest to

Too often the sickle has been timidly thrust in. Or, when the swish was heard in the ripened grain the faint-hearted reaper failed at the task, or lacked lay-helpers to bind and shock and thresh. It is a sad day for the Church when, in the lack of a widespread spiritual power, souls die in the very throes of the agony of a promised new birth. Early in the year the preachers met at Dayton to consider the revival work. The result was seen both in quickened zeal and combined effort. The embarrassment, however, of two or three pastors uniting for services lies in the frequent inability to remain from home, and in the need of remaining at home to care for the new converts. At several places evangelists helped the pastors with good results. I will confess in this presence that it would be a pleasure beyond words to express to go swinging round the district, accompanied by the pastors in turn helping each other. Yet this is impossible excepting as an ideal. The work of a Presiding Elder must be inspirational and administrative. We wish there might be a plan inaugurated of district evangelization, where one, led of God, and supported from a voluntary

district fund, could aid in succession the Churches, or a succession of evangelists aid the Churches under the Disciplinary supervision, and yet be independent of all financial thought. Whatever we do, let us not despise the Divine leading with the true evangelist.

Other Churches are taking up the spirit and method of our own Methodism. They are donning the very armor we are discarding, and are succeeding. In their growth we rejoice; but where are the successors of the leaders of Christendom who for almost two centuries have won such spiritual victories, that they have made earth rock, hell tremble, and men

turn to God?

It would be a consummation devoutly to be wished if an Itinerants' Club for Bible-study could be held, to take the place of our now powerless camp-meetings, where preachers and people together might waive earth aside to see the King, then touching anew the scepter might go recommissioned, heaven-sent, with the shout of victory already heard. We need more Bible study and less ecclesiasticism, more consecrated laymen, more daring, towering preachers, more men that God owns!

We must return to the simpler elements of faith, and test every recruit to the ministry by the Shibboleth of a dying, agonizing, deathless, determined passion to save men. No lecture fever, nor simple desire to please can answer. Human nature is too keen to be so easily deceived. One may compliment himself into the supposed truth of published headlines, till, devoid of power, he condones the Church's failure in the changed conditions of society, and seems not to know that he himself stands accused at the bar of a Divine Justice whose pledge of power he long since knew, and forgot. Has the modern David no sling? Are there no stones in the brook? Is Goliath to triumph? or what is equally bad, Is Saul to be forever king? I would, if possible, condense the ministry into one neverdying appeal, one impassioned, piercing cry, one ever-recurring throb of Gethsemane's anguish, and send it quivering into the consciences of men, to bring them to a knowledge of the kingdom of God.

May heaven help and reanoint the sons of earth, that Methodism, clothed with prophetic power, may go forth to conquer, and God reign

in the affairs of men!

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

V. F. Brown, Presiding Elder.

BISHOP FOWLER, DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—The great Methodist wheel of the Cincinnati Conference has completed another revolution. One years ago, after six days in the repair shop, and after a thorough over-hauling by Bishop Walden and his five assistants, it was put in motion. Noiselessly and with but little friction it has moved steadily onward, and now, having completed the circuit, we bring it to you for your further inspection. Just what repairs or alterations you may find it necessary to make, or how much lubrication you may deem it necessary to apply, we know not now, but we shall know by the time this session adjourns. Within a very brief time after the close of the last session the brethren repaired to their fields, and plans were carefully made for an honest year's work for the Church and the Master. These plans, with such alterations as time and the surrounding circumstances required, have been pursued by as tireless and consecrated a band of Methodist preachers as ever received their appointments from episcopal hands. God has most graciously blessed their toil, owned the message they have proclaimed in his name, and crowned their labors with success.

Shadows.—As the months have glided by across some of the parsonage homes some shadows have fallen. At the semi-centennial reunion of this and the Ohio Conference one year ago, four men who had helped to constitute the Cincinnati Conference in 1852 were with us. During the months past one of this number has received his final appointment to the city of gold, Brother John F. Loyd, sincere, sympathetic, tender, true, and patient, and we laid his body away in the hope of a glorious resurrection. Sister J. M. Mathews, widow of the late Dr. Mathews, and sister A. W. Tibbitts, widow of the late Allen W. Tibbitts, have gone to their reward. Brother and Sister Andrew Hamilton were sorely and suddenly bereft of their youngest son, while the little babe loaned to Brother and Sister J. H. McNary was recalled after a six months' stay. These families have the comfort in their great grief that "of such is the kingdom of God." Brothers J. S. Pumphrey and R. K. Deem have passed through very severe personal illness, each spending some time in our Christ's Hospital, the latter passing under the surgeon's knife; but by the blessing of the Lord they are doing full duty again, and we trust their stay will be prolonged for many years.

Temperance Triumphs.—It has been intimated by some that my report of one year ago was very "dry." I am pleased to report a continuation of the same kind of drought, and that it is increasing in intensity. Rum's river does not flow with as great freedom through the bounds of the Hillsboro District as in years past. Hillsboro, the birthplace of the Women's Temperance Crusade went "dry" by a very decisive majority. Other places have voted the same way, the last to enter the dry land being Sabina, and not a few townships have buried the accursed business under a shower of ballots, all but unanimous, which shows the sentiment of the rural parts toward this monster rum. The Methodist preachers and Methodist voters have borne a conspicuous part in all these contests. We are expansionists

on this line, and earnestly pray,

"Blest river of salvation, Pursue thine onward way."

Spiritual Growth.—Along with temperance reform has been the manifest purpose to deepen and intensify the spiritual life of the people, the aim being not only to save men from sin, but for service, and we are pleased to report the conversion of about 600 souls, and the addition to the Church upon probation and by certificate of about 825. Perhaps special mention should be made of that most signal victory on the New Jasper Charge, Brother Henry Hershey pastor, where the power of God was manifested in a marvelous degree, resulting in the conversion of about 100 souls and the addition to the Church of a large number. Convictions and conversions were of the old-time type, when people fell prostrate under the mighty power of God and cried for mercy. The influence of the meeting was felt for miles around, and abides a benediction to-day. The open winter, with bad roads and prevailing illness, made revival work in rural districts exceedingly difficult; but these tireless toilers remained at their places and pressed the battle vigorously. This brings me to note some

Country Difficulties.—I called attention to these matters in my report of three years ago. Time has not helped us in their solution. Cities have their problems, and sometimes city pastors think the men in the outskirts have no such trying questions to face as they, but in this they are in error. True, the difficulties may not be of the same kind, but they are as real and perplexing. We often hear the question discussed, What is to become of the city Churches, the downtown ones especially? It can with as much fairness be asked, What is to become of the country Church in many places? The rush to the centers, the increasing greed for gain, the distillation of the city's corruption through the Sunday excursions, picnics, and Sunday newspapers scattered even throughout rural districts, the irre-

sponsible evangelist, so called, tramping to and fro in the land sowing discord and tares in many instances and denouncing all Church authority, the lack of systematic and generous support from many of the membership, thereby making it exceedingly difficult to keep the Church machinery going, together with the other things too numerous to mention here, make more and more difficult the country problem. Where shall we look for relief and help? My position on special evangelists is well known by my brethren; but have we not almost reached the place where to meet and displace the irresponsible and erratic sort of which we have in some localities an altogether overgrowth, something must be done? Might not a district evangelist, or general assistant helper or pastor, be appointed and used with advantage to both charges and pastors, working under the direction of the presiding elder and pastors, or a district committee, giving his whole time to assisting the pastors, and receive a stated sum for his services? A man of superior pulpit ability, tactful, resourceful, and deeply evangelistic and spiritual, yet free from rant and wildfire, a brother beloved from our own ranks. To be the pastor of a large circuit and do the work thereto belonging, and come to the pulpit with fresh, helpful sermons week after week, such as the people require and need, and at the same time conduct from three to six special revival services of from three to six weeks each, thus giving from ten to twenty weeks or more of the year to special revival effort, is placing a very heavy tax on any man. It is to help at such places. and thereby strengthen these weak places that are on the verge of abandonment, that the district evangelist or general assistant helper or pastor is to be appointed and employed, and while the problem of support and the time for holding meetings so as to cover the whole field may require careful attention, we believe some such plan is worthy of consideration and experiment. To help to this and we have encouraged an explanation and ex-To help to this end, we have encouraged an exchange of pastoral periment. effort as far as and wherever practicable.

RALLIES.—At various times during the year the working forces have been summoned to some central place for conference. In the early fall the ministers assembled at Highland for their annual district meeting. By previous arrangement each charge was represented by one layman also, and the union of ministry and laity in such meetings has resulted in most helpful district gatherings. A District Missionary Convention was held at New Vienna in May, at which most helpful services were rendered by Dr. A. B. Leonard and Dr. J. C. Floyd. The Epworth Leagues held their annual meeting in First Church, Xenia, in July, and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society met in Hillsboro in May, all calculated to strengthen the hands and faith of the tireless toilers in the Master's vineyard. We have sought to enlist all the available laborers at our command to advance the interest of the kingdom. Brother J. H. Worley, of China, home for rest, accepted appointments for no less than one-third of the charges in the district, and gave most interesting and helpful addresses, deepening the interest of the people in our neighbors across the sea and in a world-wide evangelism. We have everywhere and in every way, in pulpit and conference and private, as well as through the Quarterly, urged and insisted upon a systematic, liberal support of all the claims of the gospel. One immediate result of such seed-sowing, together with a faithful presentation of the needs and opportunities of the work by the pastors, is seen in an increased

offering for the various

Benevolences, and notably so for missions. Last year we were pleased to report an advance of several hundred dollars, with five charges on the honor roll, having met their apportionments in full. This year the number on the honor roll embraces almost half of the charges in the district, while the total advance over last year is \$650, and over two years ago of almost \$1,000. The leaven is at work, and the cause is getting hold of the hearts of the people. This handsome advance, be it said, has not come from one or two Churches only, but from all along the line, twenty-two charges out

of the twenty-eight showing an advance. We are especially pleased to note that this gain has not been made at the expense of the other benevolences, for here also gains have been made. Some special offerings should be noted. A gift from Brother Joseph Worthington, one of our noble laymen from the Leesburg Charge, of \$1,000 for Christ's Hospital, and of \$5,000 for Grant University of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, in all \$6,000. Likewise a special gift of \$2,500 for the "Home of the Aged" by Brother E. L. McLean, of Greenfield, a most liberal member of our Church, this in addition to his large gifts for the new church at home. Such gifts deserve special commendation.

In this connection permit me to state that the thank-offering triumphs throughout the district from the date of the call to January last, during which period debts, both small and great, of short and also of long duration, have been annihilated, either in whole or in part, as a result of the inspiration from this rallying call, represents not less than \$20,000, which, added to special gifts for thank-offering objects, aggregates between \$40,000 and

\$50,000, and all this without any special bequests.

MATERIAL PROSPERITY.—The year has been characterized by extensive improvements and betterments in church and parsonage properties. To write the entire list would occupy too much time, for it would be to name almost the entire list of charges, nearly all sharing to some degree therein. In the early spring it was our good fortune to dedicate free from debt the new church at Bowersville, Brother Thomas Cundy pastor,—a beautiful village church, representing an expenditure of almost \$5,000; while Center and Zion, on the same charge, have been improved at an expense of about \$220. Summarized, the list of improvements, cancellation of debts, etc., would read as follows: Belfast Charge, \$350; Blanchester, \$700, and valid subscriptions for the entire \$2,000 indebtedness; Clarksville, \$150; Dunkinsville, \$35; Greenfield, \$25,000; Highland, including her new parsonage home, ville, \$35; Greenfield, \$25,000; Highland, including her new parsonage nome, \$3,100; Lynchburg, \$245; Martinsville, \$950; Mt. Orab, \$175; New Burlington, \$1,000; New Vienna, \$130; Sabina, \$100; Sugar Tree Ridge, \$350; Union, \$750; Wilmington, \$1,100; Winchester, \$750; First Church, Xenia, \$2,400; Trinity, Xenia, \$1,000.

And what shall I say of Greenfield's new church enterprise? Equal to any, if not surpassing all in the Conference, and suitable to adorn any of our great metropolitan cities east or west. Its massiveness and symmetry are alike pleasing, and when completed and dedicated will be the

metry are alike pleasing, and when completed and dedicated will be the most commodious structure and best equipped plant for Church work within our bounds. The estimated cost of constructing and furnishing is \$75,000. Brother W. H. Wehrly, the pastor, is pushing the work with great rapidity and care. Many societies have done nobly, but in this particular Greenfield exceeds them all. Summarizing, this gives us a total of \$45,000 expended within the bounds of the district for building and improving and paying of debts for the year, leaving an indebtedness of about \$6,000 on property valued at \$350,000. With devout thanksgiving to God for the blessings of the year upon pastors and people, and with an obedient, willing, and trustful spirit, our faces are toward the future, glad to serve the

Church and the Master.

## MILFORD DISTRICT.

ALBERT N. SPAHR, Presiding Elder.

I PRESENT my report with deep emotion, because I stand on holy ground. Here where thirty-three years ago I was called to take my place in the long line of men accepted and welcomed as pastors of this historic Church. To me this hour, this presence, with the tender memories they inspire, make me feel that "this place is privileged above the common walks of life quite on the verge of heaven!"

Then I stand, where Dr. Runyan a short year ago expected to stand. His passing left me greatly bereaved, and yet, strange as it may seem, after looking for the last time upon his familiar face as he lay in his casket, an overpowering conviction came upon me that God called me to take up the work he left, when the heavenly chariot swung low and carried him into the open heavens to be welcomed by Jesus to the "Father's house of man," mansions!"

God put it into the mind and heart of Bishop J. M. Walden, an honorary member of our Conference, our comrade and brother, to assign me to this place of grave responsibility, and so while our beloved Brother Runyan "stands before the King," I represent in his absence the Milford

District.

Then the field with its history, needs, and possibilities almost overwhelms me. Memories are awakened of precious names and places reaching back to 1797, to the very beginnings of Methodism in this part of the Northwestern Territory. Then the thirty-three true, tried, and consecrated pastors whom I found on this historic and sacred soil captured me at once. Such a company of self-denying, devoted, and loving brethren I have never seen surpassed in any district of this Conference. And such wives and children—God bless them!—as I found in the parsonages! For nearly four months after their leader ascended, directed by Rev. M. LeSourd, in harmony with Bishop Walden's counsel, the pastors held their own, or helped each other to hold the quarterly-meetings, sending the presiding elder's claim to the sorrowing widow. The 1st of March I entered upon my work, graciously welcomed by pastors and people.

The pastors have toiled faithfully, and their labor has not been in vain in the Lord. Some rejoice in victories won, and others have had a year of toil and disappointment. One sows, another reaps, God will reward each according to his work. The "record on high" may change the credits, and the weary and apparently fruitless years may bring at last the "richest recompense of reward." I could say in truth many things about my comrades on this field which would seem almost fulsome; but I forbear, giving

you only a glimpse of their work and its results.

Nearly all report conversions and accessions to the Church, the number ranging from 2 up to 65 converted, all aggregating 439 converted; accessions to the Church from 4 to 60, all aggregating 433. The largest fruits were gathered at Laurel, Georgetown, New Richmond, Lebanon, Feesburg,

Bethel, and Mason.

The pastors of the following charges report an increase in the benevolent collections: Amelia, Batavia, Bethel, Feesburg, Milford, Moscow, Mt. Washington, New Richmond, Newtown, South Lebanon; Centenary, 200 per cent increase; Chilo, 100 per cent increase; Laurel, 100 per cent; Manchester, 60 per cent; Owensville, 300 per cent increase; Lebanon an increase, especially on missions, advancing from \$219 last year to \$300 this year. The pastors were urged to see that no blanks should appear in their

reports.

The pastors of the following charges report raised for improvements or debts as follows: Amelia, \$335; Bethel, \$680; Butlerville, \$195; Chilo, \$150; Decatur, \$100; Feesburg, \$100 on debt paid, and \$1,200 raised to build new church at Hamersville; Georgetown, for beautifying the Georgetown church \$1,200, and \$100 for parsonage improvements: Goshen, \$72; Marathon, \$120; Mason also and West Union add to the list of beautiful churches the church at Mason and the church at West Union, Mason raising \$600 and West Union \$935 for all the improvements made; Montgomery, on debts \$643; Morrow, \$55; Moscow, \$165; Mt. Washington, \$60 for the church in California; New Richmond, for general improvements on church and parsonage, \$1,000—the transformation there is wonderful;

Owensville, \$313; South Lebanon also beautified the church \$175; Summerside, on churches and parsonages, \$665; Williamsburg Circuit, \$1,550, \$1,400 subscribed and \$815 paid on new church at Salem, which is nearly completed, lacking only a few finishing touches. It is a gem. Total cost, \$1,600. Ripley, for interior decorations on church, \$100.

The Sunday-schools generally are in good condition. On the whole, e is probably an increase in the activity and usefulness of the Epworth

League. The vacancy created at Manchester by the transfer of Brother Price was filled by Brother J. Verity, who met a grave emergency and has won signal success. Dr. Thomas W. Salt, transferred to this from the Central Tennessee Conference, has served the Moscow Charge, and has had a good year. I commend Dr. Salt as worthy to be welcomed at once by this Conference as a brother beloved in the Lord.

Brother J. E. H. Sentman has preached acceptably as he has had opportunity, but continues to suffer, and will ask to be changed from the supernumerary to the superannuated relation. Brothers J. W. Mason and J. H. Hunter, honored brethren in the superannuated relation, are still walking with God. Brother McMullen is in feeble health.

### ADDITIONAL ITEMS.

A District Missionary Convention was held in May at Bethel. Brother Washburn and his people most hospitably provided for its entertainment. The pastors on the program responded splendidly. The subject of missions in an unusual measure had the right of way. Drs. Leonard and Floyd stirred and thrilled their hearers with their eloquent appeals.

A District League Convention was held at Epworth Heights, June 23d to 26th, under the management of the efficient district president, George O. March, of Lebanon, and his worthy associates of the District Cabinet. It was not largely attended, but an occasion of physical and spiritual refreshing to those who were able to be present. The League Clapters in some localities are being brought more largely into sympathy with missionary work. I rejoice in this, for the missionary spirit is the spirit of Christ, without which we are none of his.

### CAMP-MEETINGS.

EPWORTH HEIGHTS.—Under the management of Rev. E. S. Gaddis a profitable meeting was held, August 2d to 16th, on these beautiful grounds. I am persuaded that it would be a great blunder, a sin and shame, to ever allow Epworth Heights to pass from under religious control, and I am sure that the Cincinnati Conference alone can hold, fashion, and make this campmeeting what it ought to be to Southern Ohio, an abiding and attractive center of physical, social, intellectual, and spiritual blessing.

Brother George S. Easton, superintendent of Shiloh Camp-meeting,

reports success in attendance, but not along spiritual lines.

The Church at Rossmoyne, on the Montgomery Circuit, in January, 1890, secured a loan from the Church Extension Board of \$250. Nothing had been paid on principal or interest, and Dr. King, the secretary, demanded payment. Through the intercession of Bishop Hartzell, he agreed to cancel the interest, amounting to more than \$200, if the principal was paid by October I, 1903. In this extremity, Mr. C. F. Malsbary, an attorney of Cincinnati, a trustee, not a member of our Church, but a Presbyterian in his affiliations, by personal appeal raised the \$250 among his neighbors at Rossmoyne and a few friends in the city, not one of whom was a member of the Rossmoyne Church. The subscription was headed by Bishop Hartzell and Mr. Malsbary.

Just one thing more, but that perhaps the greatest of all,

#### DISTRICT EVANGELISM.

At a ministerial meeting held at Decatur last October an organization was formed to do evangelistic work in the district. Dr. Runyan, presiding elder, appointed a Committee to superintend this work. The Committee consisted of Horn, Wiant, Armacost, Price, LeSourd. The brethren of the district were to help each other in evangelistic services.

Dr. Runyan was deeply interested in this subject, but before the plan

of work had been fully developed "he was not, for God had taken him."
At our Missionary Convention in May a subscription was taken to buy a tent that could be transported from one spiritually needy community to another, and when the decision is reached that the time has come to use it the tent will be forthcoming.

In the meantime it was decided to begin evangelistic work where it seemed needed most. This was urged by the present presiding elder, who had taken the place made vacant by the translation of Dr. Runyan.

The pitiful cry for help from Brother Stevenson, pastor of Montgomery Circuit, touched the hearts of the Committee. Miamiville Church, struggling for eight years under a burden of debt, was almost in despair. The little band of workers, mostly godly women, felt as when Judah said, "The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed," and failing after weary years to lift and bear away the mortgage on their beautiful church home, had lost heart and hope. But a quartet of singing evangelists— Brothers Horn, LeSourd, Wiant, and Armacost-met at Miamiville, and as they could pray and preach, as well as sing, the icy atmosphere softened little by little, and hope began to revive that deliverance was coming. For three weeks the self-denying pastors held on. Brother L. M. Davis also came up to the help of the Lord, and the presiding elder "helped just a little" by preaching the closing sermon of the series. The discouraged toilers, cheered by the assurance that if they would raise at once half of the debt the district would pay the other half, led on by Pastor Stevenson went to work. Brother Horn wrote some fifty letters appealing for help.

The Sunday-school Association of Clermont County and some fifteen pastors and Churches responded. Three hundred and ninety-three dollars were raised in all, and Sunday night, August 23d, a happy congregation gathered, and addresses were made by the Presiding Elder, Brothers L. M. Davis, M. LeSourd, Thompson, Drake, and the happy pastor, H. E. Stevenson. Father Drake, forty-five years ago a class-leader at Miamiville, but still in the ranks, applied a match to the mortgage, and it vanished in ashes and smoke, and the thrice repeated doxolgy seemed the promise and prophecy of resurrection life to Miamiville Methodism, and that will mean under God salvation to that community. This is an objectlesson in "District Evangelism."

Finally: I say, as the eccentric George W. Maley is reported long years ago to have said when in Milford, "Things seemed in a dying condition." "Methodism is looking up in Milford." Asked to explain, he said: "Methodism is on the flat of her back, and can not look any other way."

Methodism on the Milford District is looking up now, for at least her

pastors and elect women and men of God are often on their knees, and united prayer is ascending constantly for a general Pentecost, a mighty outpouring of the Holy Ghost upon every one of these thirty-three pastoral charges, within whose bounds are more than ten thousand nominal followers of John Wesley.

By the grace and help of the living God this historic field, made sacred by the battles and victories of more than one hundred years, shall not be surrendered to the devil, but won for Christ! The clock has struck the hour, the day is here when the grand army of the Cincinnati Conference, more than fifty thousand strong, ought to gird on the "panoply Divine,

the whole armor of God," and, beginning a forward movement all along the lines, assail the strongholds of sin, and demand the "immediate and unconditional surrender" of all Southern Ohio to Jesus Christ, "The King ummortal, invisible, the only wise God, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

C. W. BARNES, Presiding Elder.

There is a story illustrating the perplexities of the eldership. A Presiding Elder received a visit from a Church faction bitterly opposing the return of the pastor. He listened to them and said: "Brethren, I believe you are right. I am just sure you are right." They retired with many pious ejaculations and much admiration for such a discerning elder. A little later a second delegation came in urging with equal emphasis the pastor's return. As they arose to go, the elder said: "Brethren, I have listened to you carefully, and I believe you are right. I am just sure you are right." Then the elder's wife took him to task. "Why, husband, how in the world are you going to reconcile your statements? You told the first men that they were right, and now you say the same thing to these men. You can never reconcile your two statements!" After a moment of blank astonishment the elder replied: "Wife, I believe you are right. I am just sure you are right." The story may suggest to the laymen the difficulties of an elder's position.

In Bishop Walden's selection of Rev. A. N. Spahr for the Milford diocese, the Springfield District has made its third contribution to the present Conference Cabinet, and stands ready, when the next subepiscopal vacancy occurs, to repeat the story. After the appointment of Brother Spahr, Rev. Philip Trout supplied Grace Church very acceptably until July, when Rev. A. W. Leonard, son of Dr. A. B. Leonard, entered upon his work in Piqua. The church has been completely renovated, at a cost of about \$1,400. The Conference, as well as Grace Church, gives the young pastor a cordial welcome.

This has been another good year in destroying debts and improving churches. Last year eleven churches made extensive repairs, and this year some five or six more have greatly improved their properties. Rapid progress is being made in the building of the High Street Church. Greene Street, Piqua, has been completely renewed, at cost of about \$3,000; Arcanum, reopened the first Sabbath of the Conference year, \$700; Tippecanoe, reopened a little later, \$750; St. Paul's, Springfield, has raised \$800 on church debt; Central, Springfield, \$650 on debt; Clifton Avenue, \$333 on debt, \$150 new carpet; Troy, Church notes canceled \$8,300, improvements \$505; First Church, Urbana, Church notes canceled, \$4,400; Grace, Urbana, new heating system, \$1,000. Smaller items: Greenville, Mutual, Mechanicsburg, and South Charleston, each \$250; King's Creek (Local, Cable, King's Creek), \$400; Christiansburg (Beech, Addison, parsonage), \$300; Emory, \$150; Yellow Springs (parsonage and old debt), \$175; Nation Chapel, \$200; Troy Circuit, \$57; Brighton (debt), \$68; Newson, new furnace; Sims, repainted. Vienna has paid \$2,718 upon her beautiful new church. Two special gifts have been received—\$500 from G. W. Harper, of Cedarville, for the Bible Society; and a check for \$500, payable at death, from Mrs. Jane Pence for the benefit of the Tremont City Church.

We like the Western Christian Advocate in the Springfield District. We believe it is one of the best in the Advocate family, and its able editor is heard, as well as read, with much pleasure.

Our District Meeting was held at Mechanicsburg, and was an occasion of great inspiration and good fellowship. A full portion of the program was devoted to the Church benevolences. We had a number of the secretaries with us. It may be noticed that it is easier to secure them some years than others. This was the good year. We were glad to see them, and they were real glad to see us. Dr. Floyd was heard with close attention. Dr. Robinson substituted for an absent speaker. Dr. Thirkield excelled himself in a critique of Dr. Dixon's "Leopard's Spots." Dr. Leonard gave us two great missionary addresses. Rev. E. H. Cherington, District Missionary Secretary, has done efficient work. Rev. R. J. Wyckoff spent the month of May preaching on missions.

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Beside the regular benevolences, the special charities have had a fair hearing and generous response. It is interesting to watch the play of these forces, Dr. Pearson with his plea for the Bible, Dr. Weakley for the Home of the Aged, Dr. Robinson for the Hospital, and if by this time our rich brethren do not surrender, along comes Dr. Bashford with his surgical

smile, and the work is done.

Our ministers have had a creditable share in the modern revival of civic righteousness. Rev. O. M. Sellers has done faithful prophesying in the Mechanicsburg local option battle. In Urbana, Dr. Dart has spoken strong words against venality in local politics, and the pulpit of Grace Church has given forth no uncertain sound. Rev. S. A. Keen had a large part in the inspiring leadership which carried the local option victory at New Carlisle. Rev. G. P. Austin has been laying good foundations at Tippecanoe City. In Troy, Rev. G. W. Dubois and Rev. J. F. Laird have had large influence and labor in the movement of the local clergy against the saloon and kindred evils. In March a remarkable temperance meeting, filling the great auditorium of our church, was held. The effective methods of organization here used have been copied with success elsewhere. Write G. W. Dubois for these plans. One result of this movement, this first skirmish, has been that, with the co-operation of the Piqua ministers, Sunday baseball has been batted out of Miami County. In Greenville, Rev. A. B. Austin and his laymen had an honorable part in the election of a righteous mayor. In Piqua, Rev. R. J. Wyckoff has spoken for God and humanity. In a short time he had stirred up no small amount of moral commotion. The battle is by no means won; but certain elements of victory have been attained. The greatest result is that the city has now a conscience. Piqua has found her soul.

science. Piqua has found her soul.

It was a saying of Mr. Ingersoll, that of all the denominations the Methodists secured the best preaching for the least money. This mingled compliment and sarcasm of the scornful infidel is well deserved. It is surprising how slowly the good times make their impression on Church finances. Prosperity everywhere, but not in the direction of the pastor's salary. The monotonous report of the estimating committee, who announce with a final and inevitable atmosphere, "Same as last year," reminds one painfully of the new adage, "It is almost impossible to teach old hens new clucks." The resolution passed last Conference suggesting \$600 and a house as the minimum support for a man with family, has had a good result in at least two instances—one in arresting a decline, and the other in prompting an advance. This resolution should be strengthened, and as soon as possible it should be made a rule of administration. The minimum support recently proposed by the Cincinnati Presbytery was \$1,000 in the city, \$900 in the country. Last year this Conference made an appointment of a minister with family to a city Church, whose support was only \$400. According to Mr. John Mitchell, the average wages of the anthracite miners was \$300 per year. The conditions revealed by the strike stirred the whole country; but in certain of our appointments we take our place beside the coal barons, and do not realize the enormity of our conduct. It is not the fault of the bishop and presiding elders that such appointments are made. The bishop is required by the Discipline to give an appointment to all men whom the Conference makes effective. The blame rests upon the Conference for allowing its membership list to be so crowded that the use of these starvation points is necessary. Our course in this matter has been a shameful folly. There is absolutely no excuse for pursuing this inhuman policy of crowding our men into actual want. One pastor in this Conference has been compelled this last year to sell his horse and part of his furniture, another to sell part of his library in order to live. I say that the course of this Conference, which makes such appointments unavoidable, is a sin against humanity, and to continue indefinitely, as we

have been doing, will be a CRIME AGAINST JESUS CHRIST.

The conditions we have placed upon ourselves can not be changed at once. But we can do this: As a Conference we can at once begin the practice of a policy which, in a few years, will give relief to this economic condition, for it is simply a case of more good men than good places. Let us stop this inhuman process: (1) By guarding the number admitted. Let us not only require a high standard of qualification as we have been doing, but let no man be received whose admission will crowd any one of equal merit and ability, already within our membership. (2) Let us continue to insist with all emphasis upon the principle of equivalent transfer, and apply it to all grades of appointments. (3) As soon as it is possible, let the resolution of last year—suggesting \$600 and house as the minimum support for man with family—be the rule of our administration, serving the charges falling below that line with unmarried men and supplies. According to last year's Minutes there are thirty-seven charges in our Conference which fall below this pitiful standard.

It is a pleasure to close this homily on ministerial support by reporting that we are making some progress in the Springfield District in this matter. Last year ten of our twenty-eight charges increased the pastor's salary, and this year four others have done so, making an advance in one half the charges of the district in the last two years. This year's roll of honor is: Grace, Springfield, \$50; Grace, Piqua, \$50; New Carlisle, \$100; Ar-

canum, \$100.

Rev. I. R. DeSelm, of the Ohio Conference, has supplied most successfully the Brighton Society. The church has been lifted out of debt, and every interest prospered.

Rev. C. P. Pumphrey, after two very successful years at Arcanum, will enter Drew Theological Seminary for a full course in that worthy in-

stitution.

Dr. G. H. Dart, of the First Church, Urbana, has decided to retire from the active work. Notwithstanding the protest of many friends, prominent laymen as well as ministers, Dr. Dart has felt this is the best course to pursue. Dr. Dart's record is most worthy. He has been a member of this Conference, in effective service, for forty-seven years, commencing the ministry when a very young man. Through these years he has not lost an appointment, and though often urged to do so, Dr. Dart has never taken a vacation. Faithful, efficient, untiring, an able preacher, a conscientious pastor, an unfailing friend, and a presiding elder par excellence, he carries with him the hearts of all his brethren. He will reside in Hamilton, Ohio. Rev. Canaro D. Munsey, of Mutual, has also decided to retire from the

Rev. Canaro D. Munsey, of Mutual, has also decided to retire from the active work. The precarious condition of his health and that of Mrs. Munsey necessitate this change. A basket and farewell meeting was held at Mutual. Besides his own people, many former parishioners and members of neighboring Churches were present. Their tributes in the love-feast gave evidence of their sincere affection. A substantial feature was a generous farewell offering. Brother Munsey will live near Cleveland, Tennessee, and it is especially fitting that this cheery-hearted brother and apostle of

sunshine should reside in the Sunny South. His retirement to his little home among the flowers and fruit-trees suggests Whitcomb Riley's recent Autumn poem:

> "When Autumn shakes the Rambo-tree There's enough for you and enough for me, And it's a long sweet way across the orchard."

We say with all our hearts to Brother Munsey, May it be "a long sweet

way across the orchard!"

Rev. S. W. Carey, Rev. John Vance, Rev. C. H. Kalbfus, Rev. J. G. Black, and Rev. J. W. Mason have each done a good year's work. The Springfield District is richer and stronger by their presence and their prayers and Christian practice. Fortunate are the charges where these men

of God worship.

Within the year from Piqua one of our honored members has passed to his reward. Only a little while after the death of Mrs. Bowers the spirit of Dr. Bowers followed that beautiful soul into the sweet mystery of the Unseen. Dr. Bowers, so well remembered by this Conference, has passed from loneliness and suffering to the land of holy peace.
From Springfield, Mrs. McDonald has made the same journey into the

land of the Hereafter-into the silent land.

The majority of the pastors report without hesitation that their people are living better lives. There is an earnest movement toward God. There is a cheering prospect of a spiritual awakening which will gladden all our hearts. My brothers in the battle

"Be strong. It matters not how deep intrenched the wrong; How hard the battle goes, the day how long; Faint not, fight on! To-morrow comes the song."

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## STATISTICS.

## CONFERENCE STEWARD'S REPORT.

QUESTION 27.—What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?  ANSWER,	0
QUESTION 28.—What has been Received in these Claims and how ha	S
it been Applied?	
RECEIPTS.	
ANSWER.—From the Chartered Fund, \$22 0 From Mears Bequest, 100 0 From Book Concern, 899 0 From Conference Trustees, 1,573 8 From the Charges, 6,025 0 Balance from last year, 79 6	0 0 8
Total,	.6

### DISBURSEMENTS.

CLAIMANTS.	To WHOM DELIVERED.	Estimate of Stew-ards	Amount paid	Post-office of Claimants.
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Rev. J. F. Loyd,		50 00	50 00 50 00 10 00	

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Mrs. G. T. Perry and children,	By mail, C. L. Conger, C. W. Horn, By mail, By mail, By mail, J. D. Darling, C. H. Kalbfus, By mail, By mail, By mail, By mail, By mail, By mail, C. C. Peale, By mail, W. H. Werhley, E. McHugh, By mail, S. A. Keen, M. Sellers,  J. W. Patton, Self, M. LeSourd, By mail, A. D. Maddox, J. P. Porter, J. P. Porter,	\$150 CO 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 200 00 100 00 50 00 150 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00 150 00	114 00 114 00 114 00 114 00 114 00 1152 00 76 00 38 00 114 00 38 00 152 00	Xenia, O. Franklin, Ky. Springfield, O. Georgetown, O. Greenville, O. Point Pleasant, O. Dayton, O. Williamsburg, O. Williamsburg, O. Oxford, O. York, O. St. Paris, O. Delaware, O. Dayton, O. Greenfield, O. Cincinnati, O. Christiansburg, O. Mechanicsburg, O. Mechanicsburg, O. Indianapolis, Ind. Milford, O. St. Louis, Mo. Cleves, O. Jamestown, O. Lambert's Pt., Va. Troy, O.	

PHILIP TROUT, Chairman.

C. W. ELLIOTT,
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W. G. HUMPHREY,
T. D. MOORE.

## OPEN DOOR EMERGENCY FUND.

### MILFORD DISTRICT.

Batavia,	٠		•		٠			\$20	00	Mason,				\$4	00
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H. W. BAILEY, Missionary Secretary.

## REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER FOR 1903.

#### RECEIPTS.

	CASH.	VOUCHER.	TOTAL.
For Missionary Society,	\$19,033 00	\$6,945 00	\$25,978 00
For Church Extension Society,	1,820 00	483 00	2,303 00
For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Edu-			
cation,	2,269 00	901 00	3,170 00
For Sunday-school Union,	321 00	60 00	381 00
For Tract Society,	290 00	48 00	338 00
From "Public Education" Collections,	399 00	254 00	653 00
For Children's Fund,	783 00	354 00	1,137 00
For American Bible Society,	510 00	1,028 00	1,538 00
For Woman's Foreign Missionary So-			
ciety,	61 00	17,298 00	17,309 00
For Woman's Home Missionary So-			
ciety,	25 00	9,276 00	9,301 00
For Christ's Hospital,	388 00	3,955 00	4,343 00
For Conference Claimants,	5,368 00	657 00	6,025 00
For Episcopal Fund,	1,358 00	164 00	1,522 00
For General Conference Expenses	515 00	48 00	563 00
From "Other Benevolent Collections,"	305 00	59,141 00	59,446 00
From Fractional Dollars,	9 86		9 86
Grand total,	\$33,454 86	\$103,562 00	\$137,016 86

### DISBURSEMENTS OF CASH.

Paid Jennings & Pye, for various Benevolences,				\$25.750	00
Paid W. A. Robinson, for Christ's Hospital,				388	00
Paid A. D. Maddox, for Conference Claimants,				5,368	
Paid J. W. Bashford, for Ohio Wesleyan University,			•	399	00
Paid W. F. McDowell, for Children's Fund,				783	00
Paid John Pearson, for American Bible Society,		٠		510	00
Paid H. C. Weakley, for Home for the Aged,				247	00
Paid S. O. Royal, for publishing Conference Minutes,	٠	٠	٠	9	86
Total disbursements,		٠		\$33,454	86
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Receipts and vouchers for above amounts are in my hands.

CALVIN W. HORN, Conference Treasurer.

CINCINNATI, O., September 7, 1903.

## STATISTICS No. 1.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY. . . . GEO. S. EASTON, Leesburg, O.

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CINCINNATI DISTRICT. Cincinnati: Asbury Avondale Christie. Clifton. Columbia Delta Ave E. Pearl Street. Fairmount Finley. First Church, N'thside Linwood and Mad. Av. McKendree. Mt. Auburn Mt. Lookout. Price Hill Riverside & C'p Wash. St. Paul. Trinity. Walnut Hills Wesley Chapel. Westwood York Street Bond Hill & Ple's't Ridge Carthage & Elmwood Pl. Cleves & Addyston Delhi Glendale Groesbeck. Harrison Hartwell. Lockland-Wyoming. Madisonville. Miamitown & Mt. Hope. Norwood: 1st Church. Grace Church. Winton Place Totals.	3 199 114 4 122 4 4 122 155 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 4 1 4 1 2 2 8 8 1 2 2 8 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	241 811 50 296 181 50 185 90 287 130 258 245 199 169 169 169 169 140 238 140 258 140 258 140 258 140 258 140 258 140 258 140 258 140 258 140 258 140 258 159 169 169 169 169 169 169 169 16	1 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	3 4 2 10 11 11 1 1 4 5 5 5 2 4 4 8 3 4 4 2 1 3		1 2 1 1 4 4 4 6 6 3 5 3 11 3 10 2 15 3 12 1 2 5	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	25 20 15 22 24 10 20 13 20 28 20 23 35 25 28 24 41 12 29 29 21 28 21 20 22 23 35 24 20 22 23 35 24 20 22 23 24 24 26 26 27 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28	175 163 39 311 160 90 254 240 169 130 2216 400 381 175 180 307 255 140 40 195 210 200 195 210 200 195 2150 7373	111111111112222111111111111111111111111	40,000 20,000 35,000 11,000 12,000 6,000 10,060 35,000 1,200 5,000 125,000 75,000 60,000 15,000 15,000 10,0		6,000 15,000 10,000 8,000 1,200 1,000 2,500 6,000 3,000	\$5,000  78 220 231 30 428 40 55 1,000 50 625 8,200 633 546 750 270 200 708 121 125 100 625	\$2,500 3,000 621 4,450 25,000 2,700 1,625 466 1,104 15 600 550	\$1,72 1,60 1,10
DAYTON DISTRICT. Bethany. Bethany. Brookville & Pyrmont. Camden & Somerville. Centerville. Dayton: Broadway. Grace. Homestead Avenue. Raper. Riverdale. St. Paul. Trinity. Eaton. Ebenezer & Woodw'd Av Fair Haven & Sugar Val. Fort Jefferson. Franklin. Germantown. Gordon. Hamilton. Lewisburg & W. Alexand. Miamisburg. Middletown. Monroe. New Paris. Osborn and } Fairfield. Oxford. Port Union. Red Lion & Merrittstown. Seven Mile.	44 333 200 188 144 255 277 177 188  1 111 4 477 111 3 3 10	178 75 800 408 768 768 768 768 810 229 850 362 340 183 234 192 380 155 170 695 298 300 637 41 151 325 416 201 143		15 10 8 2 2 2 10 3 3 6 4 7 1 4 2 2	12 55 25 17 22 5 14 10 19 4 22 7	2	1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	15 34 48 88 8 8 54 555 555 22 25 55 21 20 25 21 13 25 22 35 22 35 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	75 235 216 432 75 550 325 220 325 227 140 305 227 310 800 275 535 75 280 80 225 225 159	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 4 1 1 1 2 2 3 4 1 1 1 3 2 2	3,000 8,000 8,000 10,000 60,000 5,500 15,000 15,000 15,000 20,000 4,600 2,500 7,500 8,000 37,000 40,000 9,500 2,000 11,400 6,000 2,000 7,500 5,500 7,500 6,000 2,000 7,500 6,000 6,000 7,500 7,500	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1,000 1,000 3,000 3,000 5,000 3,000 1,500 700 4,000 1,200 4,000 2,000 700 3,500 2,000 1,000 1,000	232 185 500 200 17,000 900 90 350 1,122 40 45 565 27,000 1,475 125 1,500 50	1777 3,8800 2000 325 225 818	2,400 6,300 1,500 1,400 1,900 45 50 60 1,30

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	Probationers.	Full Members	Local Prhers.	Deaths	Child'n Bap'd	Adults Bap'd.	50	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Val.	& impr. Ch'rs & Parsonages	P'd on old in- debtedness on Ch. Property.	debtedness on Ch. Property.
Springboro and Lytle Venice Walker & Union West Carrollton West Chester West Elkton West Milton	3 4	249 347 107 253 300 180 250	2 3	5 3 2 1 14 4	4 1 2 12 1 1	10 12 3 6  4 3	2 5 2 1 3 4 5	29 65 14 16 32 40 70	260 304 75 200 200 200 220	2 5 2 1 3 5	\$3,200 11,700 4.000 1,900 8,000 5,000 5,000	1  1 1 1	\$2,000 900 2,500 1,000 1,000 400	350		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Totals	396	11705	28	169	174	240	68	1184	9409	73	508,500	28	61,100	52,998	6,065	52, 0
HILLSBORO DISTRICT. Belfast. Belfast. Blanchester Bowersville Centerfield & Clear Cr'k Clarksville Dunkinsville. Greenfield Highland Hillsboro. Jamestown Leesburg Lynchburg. Martinsville Mowrytown Mount Orab New Burlington New Jasper New Vienna Peebles. Rainsboro Sabina. Sinking Spring Sugar Tree Ridge. Union Waynesville Wilmington Winchester Xenia: First Church Trinity. Totals	6 133 6 6 6 6 4 19 25 13 2 25 29 5 1 1 2 2 5 1 1 1 1 2 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	385 743 338 355 555 216 223 354 5215 335 4468 243 401 338 367 310 302 820	1 3 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4 4 8 8 1 1 5 5 5 2 2 3 3 3 1 1	1 1 1	4 10 9 4  7 5 6 20 25 6 14  1 5 4	6 1 1 4 4 1 1 1 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 3 3 3 4 4 4 4	33 18 51 80 50 42 48 62 36 35 56 60 25 60 66 72 26 20 30	120, 737	6 1 4 3 1 1 3 1 1 3 3 4 1 5 5 5 5 2 1 2 1 1 87	9,000 10,000 8,000 8,000 2,500 75,000 8,500 12,000 13,500 7,200 6,000 6,700 2,800 6,000 12,000 12,000 11,500 5,500 6,000 12,000 333,800	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	3,000 3,000 2,000 2,000 1,500 1,500 1,500 1,200 2,000 1,200 2,000 2,000 2,000 1,000 2,000 1,000 2,000 1,000 2,000 1,000	150 150 25,000 3,100 170 950 130 37 100 1,002 2,400 1,000	160 400 2,000	1,2
MILFORD DISTRICT.		412		100	00	100	1			4	5,500		800			
Aberdeen. Annelia Batavia. Bethel. Butlerville Centenary Chilo Decatur Feesburg Felicity Georgetown Goshen Laurel Lebanon Loveland Maineville Manchester Marathon Mason Milford Montgomery Morrow Morrow Mt. Washington New Richmond Newtown Owensville Ripley South Lebanon Summerside West Union Williamsburg Williamsburg Williamsburg Williamsburg Wetler Battler	18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 1	3876 3876 3876 3876 3876 3876 3876 3876		38 66 34 45 55 24 44 11 22 66 48 37 76 88	2 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	3 3 4 4			\$80,200 200 360 340,224 400 250 170 275 230 250 175 215 175 261 175 275 165 175 275 165 170 275 275 275 275 275 275 275 275 275 275	3 1 1 5 5 4 4 6 6 5 5 5 4 2 2 3 3 5 1 1 4 4 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 3 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 3 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 3 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 3 3 1 1 1 1	6,000 15,000 8,800 8,800 6,500 6,500 8,500 6,000 10,000 12,000 4,000 7,000 8,200 8,200 8,500 7,200 8,200 12,000 12,000 4,000 12,		1,200 1,500 1,500 1,200 1,200 1,000 1,800 1,800 2,500 1,500 1,500 2,500 1,500 2,500 1,500	250 100 141 200 123 150 100 1,400 50 50 50 50 120 600 50 175 608 175 650 933	540 27 115 168 0 0 0 100 825 0 100	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	Probationers.	Full Members	Local Prhers.	Deaths	Child'n Bap'd	Adults Bap'd.	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Val.	& impr. Ch'rs & Parsonages	P'd on old in- debtedness on Ch. Property.	Present in- debtedness on Ch. Property.
SPRINGFIELD DIST. Arcanum. Brandt Brighton Catawba. Cedarville. Christiansburg Covington Dialton Greenville King's Creek. Mechanicsburg Mutual New Carlisle. New Moorefleld Piqua: Grace Greene Street. South Charleston Springfield: Central Clifton Ave Grace. High Street St. Paul Tippecanoe City Tremont City Troy Troy Circuit Urbana: First_Church. Grace. Yellow Springs	 11	178 125 50 1485 5290 2500 1522 250 1522		31 153229 66312 12 92238 92238 9665	1	13  5 8 6  16  14 22 1 8 5 7 3 6  	1 2 1 8 2 4 1 4 1 4 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 1 1 1 4 1 1 3 1 1 1 3 3 1 1 1 3 3 1 3 1	177 122 12 46 42 42 42 176 66 33 41 54 25 40 25 40 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21	180 1115 388 300 220 220 220 107 400 359 275 225 325 525 325 650 190 204 360 370 205 205 205 205 205 205 205 205 205 20	1 4 1 1 3 2 4 1 1 4 1 1 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$6,000 4,300 1,500 9,500 9,500 9,000 2,500 30,000 7,800 41,000 11,000 6,000 22,000 8,500 15,500 30,000 17,900 8,900 10,00	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1,000 1,500 2,500 2,800 1,000 2,500 800 1,000 1,500 5,000 10,000 2,000 2,000 1,200 1,500 4,500 4,000	\$6 300 \$14 522 200 1,500 2,500 2,995 	\$68 250 10 775 190 750 275 800 8,782 4,400	1,200 1,200 1,600 2,950 5,000

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

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NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	Probationers.	Full Members	Local Prhers.	Deaths	Child'n Bap'd	Adults Bap'd.	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Val.	P'd for build. & impr. Ch'rs & Parsonages	P'd on old in- debtedness on Ch. Property.	Present in- debtedness on Ch. Property.
Cincinnati Dayton Hillsboro Milford Springfield Totals, 1903	396 260 270 317 1637		$   \begin{array}{r}     23 \\     22 \\     18 \\     19 \\     \hline     104   \end{array} $		69 65 130 693	240 169 167 151	68 86 102 57 360	1184 1187 1257 999 5492	9409 8994 7107 7597 40480	73 87 103 59 364	333,800 227,900 450,000 2339300	28 26 26 27 125	351753	52,998 39,164 8,497 17,083 134247	6,065 4,686 1,865 16,250 49,447	52,070 4,685 400 19,375 81,451
Totals, 1902 Increase Decrease	280			3	-		362			367			4,425	48,812	11,025	10,004

\$18,982

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449 \$1,120

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			S	SUNDAY-S	CHOOLS.			
No. of Schools	No. Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attend- ance	No. of Members in Home Department.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	No. of Scholars, whether Attendants or Members in Home Dep't who are Church Members or Probationers.	No. of Members of Sunday-school Converted during the Year	Current Expenses.
86	865 1,184 1,187 1,257	7,373 9,409 8,994 7,107 7,597	4,975 3,784 4,953 3,381 4,980	527	1,085	3,109 3,880	376 240 594 302 344	\$5,181 4,273 3,239 2,962
	102	47 865 68 1,184 86 1,187 102 1,257	Schools	No. of Scholars of Scholars of Schools	No. of Members  No. of Schools.  102  No. of Schools.  103  No. of Schools.  1047  865  1,184  9,409  3,784  360  1,187  8,994  4,953  360  3,381  251	Schools.  47 865 7,373 4,975 275 799 68 1,184 9,409 3,784 527 1,085 86 1,187 8,994 4,953 360 939 102 1,257 7,107 3,381 251 1,184	No. of Scholars, whether Attendants or Members in Home Dep't who are Church Members or Probationers  No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers  No. of Members or Probationers  No. of Members and Officers and Average Attendance  No. of Scholars of Scholars of Scholars of I,184  No. of Scholars of I,184	No. of Members of Sunday-school Converted during the Year

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		PASTO	R'S SUPPORT.	SUPPORT SUPP'T PRESID. OF ELDERS. BISHO!	CLAIMANTS. EXPENSES	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.
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NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Total  House Rent  Salary	Total  House Rent  Salary	int Paid int Apportioned int Paid int Apport		hrist's Hospital  ome for the Aged. en'l Conf. Expense total Other Benevo- total Other Benevo- oman's Home Missionary Society foman's Foreign Missionary Society merican Bible Soc  a Pub. Edu. Col recdmen's Aid and bouth. Edu. Soci'ty ract Society  S. Union S. Union  S. Union  Total  Total  (a) Church Extension
Cincinnati: Asbury Avondale Christie Clifton Columbia Delta Avenue East Pearl Street Fairmount Finley 1st Church, Northside	E. P. Edmonds C. L. Myers. J. F. Chenoweth. F. C. English J. P. Ninde T. P. Walter F. M. Kirgan W. W. Tranter	2000 \$750 2750 1200 1200	2000   \$750   2750	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Linwood and Madison Avenue McKendree Mt. Auburn Mt. Lookout Price Hill	J. C. Eckels J. A. Geissinger G. V. Morris S. W. Bell	800 1000 1500 1000 350 1400 350 1400 350	920 920 8 0 1500 1500 0 1090 350 1440 Ex 9	$egin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Riverside & Camp Washington St. Paul Trinity Walnut Hills Wesley Chapel Westwood York Street Bond Hill and Pleas-	E. W. Serl	2750 1000 3750 1000 500 1500	0     2000     1000     3000        1     1800     600     2400        0     2750     1000     3750        0     1164     500     1664     Ex16       0     1400     600     2000	. 153 153 25 25 . 140 140 12 12 . 280 280 41 41 4 127 127 26 26 . 92 92 20 20	25     3178     100     100     2780     360     4       12     2552     90     90     3500     350     15       12     4071     180     180     2922     307     5       12     187     105     108     125     18     125       12     2112     343     348     1200     110     11	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
ant Ridge	L. O. Hartman S. G. Pollard T. D. Moore J. R. Colley H. A. M. Henderson	383      383       850      850       900      90       1250      1250       300      300	850 850 900 900 1250 1250	35 35 4 4 33 34 5 8	4 889 3 3 300 135 3 937 5 5 230 80	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Groesbeck	S. B. Timmons F. G. Mitchell W. L. Y. Davis W. A. Deaton A. R. Neal J. E. Beery A. K. Stabler E. Burdsall	1200 300 1500 508 500 1400 140 1500 150 800 300 110	) 1300 1300 ) 1500 300 1800 ) 1350 300 1650 Ex15 3 468 468 4 0 1400 1400 0 1500 1500	0 26 20 2 2 30 30 8 8 45 45 12 12 50 50 8 8	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

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NAME OF CHARGE.	Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary		Deficiencies	nt Appor-	nt Paid	nt Apportioned	. 6	t: Pastors,	Other Sources. Collections	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	ch: Sexton, it, Fuel, etc	Lesson Leaves, ks, etc	(a) Church	(b) S. S	Total	of Church	Society	nen's Aid and n. Edn. Society	Pub.Ed	Child's Fund		Som	Other Benevo- Collections	for the Aged Conf. Expense	's Hospital	Total
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Lewisburg and West Alexandria Miamisburg Middletown Monroe New Paris Osborn and Fairfield Oxford Port Union Red Lion and Merrittstown Seven Mile Springboro and Lytle  My. C. Mitchell. U. G. Humphre Frank Leever. David W. Clark. { R. E. Smith { S. B. Ricketts C. M. Van Pelt. 1. R. Marshall O. P. Hoffman O. P. Hoffman J. W. Patton	725 1100 1200 650 475 700 100 1400 600 650	75 200 150 100 60 110 240 150 75	800 1300	783 1100 1200 1650 462 700 1400 1400 500 600 678	75 8 800 18 50 18 50 18 60 8 10	08 Ex 8 00 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50	8 60 90 120 55 8 10 60 7 116 64 40 8 56	90 120 55 40 60 7 116 64 40 56	12 16 9  12 1 16 8 8 10	2	876 402 486 814 562 876 108 772 922 722 814 716	15 60 96 16 4 31 3 39 15 15	86 90 10 34 38 17 15 37	250 495 110 30 200 100 665 175 6 60 175	250 146 35 20 150 12 125 125 	131 130 15 12 41 3 168 18 25 102 62	75 30 16 8 32 16 18	160 31 12 49 3 200 34 25 120 80	5	3 1 1  2 1	1 18 3 32 3 1 5 2 1 1 5 2 1 2 10 1 2 2 10 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	5 3	3 3  15  10	12 4 1 6 2 1 5 11 1	8 123	101	18 4 2 10 15 7 5	5 20 28 13	225 415 751 151 26 150 10 583 74 56 255 252
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<sup>\* \$100,</sup> special gift for India by Miss Mary Terry.

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## STATISTICS Nos. III AND IV.—HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

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NAME OF CHARGE. NAME OF PASTOR.	louse Re alary	Total	Sa		3 0	non	Amount	1 0	ppo	REC'D FROM.	Total	Church Light,	S. S. Boo	MIS	SSIONS		Boarc	1 2	Freedn South	EDUC	Amer	Wom:	Wom: Miss	Total	Home Gen'l	Christ	Grand
	nt		ouse Rent	ciencies	eded	mount Paid	h-	Paid	rt: Pastors, Elders, and	Other Sources. Collections			Lesson Leaves,	(a) Church	(b) S. S	Total	of Church	Society	men's Aid and h. Edu. Soci'ty	a Pub. Edu. Col	ble	an's Foreign sionary Society	an's Home ionary Society	Other Benevo- Collections	for the Aged Conf. Expense	t's Hospital	d Total
Blanchester. Bowersville. Bowersville. Conterfield and Clear Creek Clarksville. Dunkinsville Bert. E. Smith. Greenfield. W. H. Wehrly. Highland. C. C. Peale. Hillsboro. Jamestown. Leesburg. Lynchburg. W. M. Patton. Martinsville. Mowrystown. Mount Orab. New Burlington. We Burlington. New Burlington. New Vienna. New Vienna. New Vienna. Rainsboro. Sabina Sinking Spring. Sinking Spring. Sinking Spring. W. M. Bailey. Sugar Tree Ridge. Union. Waynesville. W. M. Coffman. Wilmington. J. S. Pumphrey. J. A. Easton. Xenia: First Church Trinity.	750   100 1500   250 900   150 750   150 800   150 525   75 400   750 650   150 800   100 750   150 650   50 700   150 500   50 800   150 800   150 800   150 1100   150 1200   300	800 725 600 775 338 1740 850 1750 900 950 600 800 900 712 700 850 950 950 1250 950 1250 800 1800 1800	\$588 \$100 700 100 650 75 60 654 100 780 100 780 100 780 100 780 100 78 150 900 100 778 150 800 150 800 100 700 100 750 150 612 100 650 50 700 150 612 100 650 50 700 150 612 100 1500 50 150 612 100 1500 50 150 612 100 1500 50 150 612 100 1500 50 150 612 100 1500 50 150 612 100 1500 50	800 725 60 725 1754 22 325 1 1740 880 Ex 3 1750 1000 928 Ex 2 950 578 2 900 900 712 700 850 550 950 950 1250 800 1800 1500	51 1 51 1 51 1 51 1 51 1 51 1 51 1 51	511 511 266 1177 600 1500 744 655 660 600 607 577 455 655 645 457 677 877 877 877 877 877 877	12 11 11 11 11 8 8 12 11 11 1 9 8 12 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	9 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 11 9 12 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	60 1 355 1876 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$15	28 10 15 5 130 112 80 20 4 18 5 64 40 3 3 20 40 40 3 80 80 80 80 80 64 90 64 90 50	\$115 1220 40 150 40 628 175 500 330 290 100 135 150 120 121 125 150 120 175 210 120 175 210 180 175 180 180 180 180 180 180 180 180	75 107 200 110 100 250 150 60 90 108 130 56 75 125 90 350	257 220 197 159 92 40 30 23 232 75 100 37 107 42 40 27 502 76 247 27 502 150	65 10 4 30 2 210 63 220 103 31 24  8 2 2 10 100 155 23 29 33 20  48 24 24 100 1100 1100 1100 1100 1100 1100	\$70 160 65 6 80 37 375 3820 3820 380 1116 40 38 25 242 2175 115 60 77 250 100 136 77 250 47 27 27 27 27 27 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37	10 5  2 1  20 2 30 34 21 3 7 34 30 5 5 6 6 8 31  6 6 8 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	\$\frac{1}{4} \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc	3	1 10 2 1 10 2 2 1 7 5 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	1 2 18 6 5 2 10 12 1 10 20 10 15	155 100 106 196 175 86 16 16 29 82 29 72 8 113 104	\$185 273 48 55 1 2 2 2 126 266	98 153 1000 6 60 14 17 80 72 35 10 33 36 240	3	43 39 1050 10  7 35  116  12  1 66  10	\$133 322 107 6 140 48 3862 678 1347 709 2525 188 113 75 92 259 342 489 195 212 259 83 146 582 228 288 1382 708

<sup>\*</sup>Special gift of \$5,000 for Grant University additional.

## STATISTICS Nos. III AND IV.—MILFORD DISTRICT.

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<sup>\*\$100</sup> Legacy from Miss Sarah Boyles.

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Brandt D. A. McColm Brighton I. R. DeSelm Catawba J. R. Hill Cedarville H. C. Middleton Christiansburg O. L. Seward Covington G. L. Travis Dialton J. L. Dalbey Greenville A. B. Austin King's Creek E. L. Hollingsworth Mechanicsburg O. M. Sellers Mutual C. D. Munsey New Carlisle S. A. Keen New Moorefield R. S. A. Keen New Moorefield R. S. McColm A. N. Spahr, mos A. W. Leonard, mos Greeue Street R. J. Wyckoff South Charlestou A. T. Cowgill Springfield: Central Clifton Avenue S. W. Campbell Grace J. L. Duckwall High Street J. A. Story St. Paul J. W. Peters Tippecanoe City G. P. Austin Tremont City A. D. Maddox Troy Geo. W. Dubois Troy Circuit J. F. Laird Urbana: First Church G. H. Dart	\$700 \$100 \$800 476 60 536 88 88 750 150 900 700 100 800 600 650 100 750 1200 1500 800 600 75 675 700 100 800 650 100 750 1100 600 75 675 700 100 800 650 100 750 1100 600 400 2000 825 175 1000 1600 400 2000 875 132 1007 650 650 1600 600 200 650 150 805 150 800 765 96 861 1600 300 1500 600 150 760 1200 300 1500 805 100 905 25224 5158 30882 2	\$700 \$100 \$800	\$65 \$65 \$9 \$865 \$5 \$5 \$20 \$35 \$35 6 \$3 538 5 \$5 \$5 5 5 1 1 94 1 1 5 5 5 1 1 94 1 1 1 5 5 65 65 12 12 947 30 30 23 40 40 40 10 10 850 15 15 18 83 53 51 2 8 689 6 6 6 12 25 25 11 11 586 36 36 8 85 50 50 10 10 810 45 45 21 100 100 16 16 1466 17 17 70 100 10 16 16 1466 17 17 17 15 80 80 13 13 1193 46 46 37 40 40 8 8 720 16 16 21 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 10 10 60 60 12 8 818 7 7 20 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 10 10 850 40 40 40 40 13 13 1063 20 20 19 140 140 27 27 2167 90 90 24 60 60 13 13 1073 45 45 27 45 45 5 5 1067 5 5 5 28 30 30 3 683 22 22 10 135 135 20 20 2155 120 120 83 40 40 40 8 8 848 33 33 17 60 60 11 11 982 55 55 28 115 115 20 20 20 2355 120 120 150 151 151 152 20 20 2035 128 128 81 128 80 40 40 10 9 769 45 45 11 11 15 115 20 20 20 2035 128 128 81 128 80 130 130 130 19 19 1649 96 96 96 86 60 60 10 10 988 30 30 22	00 \$100 \$45 \$15 \$15 \$60 \$15 \$1 \$50 \$4 \$135 90 60 11 3 3 \$4 \$1 2 \$7 7 30 85 75 30 105 \$88 \$1 \$1 \$1 8 2 4 \$1 42 \$55 \$14 8 241 85 125 24 24 48 8 2 1 8 3 14 508 9 51 85 107 39 29 68 8 4 3 8 8 5 5 53 9 51 85 107 39 29 68 8 4 3 8 8 5 5 53 \$55 7 18 5 289 10 80 319 18 337 8 2 2 2 8 8 2 8 2 41 411 17 2 536 60 166 85 19 104 7 1 1 1 37 5 8 1 106 \$98 72 21 42 42 552 58 78 5 57 62 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 72 536 58 78 5 57 9 16 95 7 1 1 5 5 1 12 2 80 2 72 707 59 31 90 10 4 3 10 2 7 7 7 77 27 34 14 335 91 142 143 46 189 8 2 2 2 38 3 3 10 13 33 7 5 349 45 200 475 125 600 40 5 5 5 5 55 15 58 283 221 94 12 15 33 1553 700 120 47 25 72 2 2 8 2 2 8 8 6 103 80 151 220 571 791 30 5 4 4 32 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 11 791 30 5 4 4 32 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 11 791 30 5 4 4 32 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 11 79 130 104 30 5 4 4 32 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 11 79 130 104 30 5 4 4 32 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5

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## CIRCUIT SALARY REPORT.

N. B.—The name of the charge is in SMALL CAPS, and the sums opposite each appointment indicate the amount apportioned and paid on pastor's salary only, not including claims of Presiding Elder and Bishop.

Appointments.	Apportioned.	Paid	Appointments.	Apportioned.	Paid
CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			DAYTON-Continued.		
BOND HILL AND PLEASANT			West Sonora,	\$67	\$6
RIDGE:			Pittsburg,	63	6
Bond Hill,	\$172	\$172		400	40
Pleasant Ridge,		210		400	40
CAMP WASHINGTON AND			NEW PARIS,	250	25
RIVERSIDE:			Gettysburg,	150	14
Riverside,	500	475	New Hope,	75	6
Camp Washington,	400	400	OSBORN,	390	39
CARTHAGE AND ELMWOOD			Donnelsville,	190	19
PLACE:			Enon,	145	14
Carthage,	400	400	Medway,	145	14
Elmwood Place,	450	450	Fairfield,	100	IO
CLEVES AND ADDYSTON:		1	PORT UNION,	400	40
Cleves,	500	500	Valley Chapel,	200	20
Addyston,	400	400	Princeton,	100	IO
LINWOOD AND MADISON- VILLE:			RED LION AND MERRITTS- TOWN:		
Linwood,	400	400	Merrittstown,	500	50
Madison Avenue,	400	400	Red Lion,	100	IO
MIAMI,	200	200	SEVEN MILE,	450	47
Mt. Hope,	100	92	Darrtown,	200	20
Ebenezer,	100	73	SPRINGBORO AND LYTLE:		
Dent,	58	58	Springboro,	400	40
Shiloh,	50	35	Lytle,	200	
			VENICE,	85	8
DAYTON DISTRICT.			Okeana,	208	20
CAMDEN AND SOMERVILLE:			Washington,	186	16
Camden,	\$350	\$330	New Haven,	135	14
Somerville,	250	230	New Baltimore,	115	ΙI
CENTERVILLE AND BELLE-			WALKER AND UNION:		
BROOK:	-		Union,	250	25
Centerville,	600		Walker,	250	_
Bellebrook,	200	200	WEST CHESTER,	250	25
EBENEZER AND WOOD-			Sharon,	200	20
WARD AVENUE:			Tylersville,	200	20
Ebenezer,	250		WEST ELKTON,	140	14
Woodward Avenue,	300		Pleasant Hill,	50	5
FAIR HAVEN,	364		Gratis,	85	8
Sugar Valley,	236	1	Simonson Chapel,	IO	I
FORT JEFFERSON,	200	1	Macedonia,	75	6
Hollansburg,	150	1 - "	WEST MILTON,	250	22
Jaysville,	130	1 -	Concord,	150	15
New Madison,	70		Bethany,	75	7
GORDON,	190	1		75	7
West Baltimore,	133	133	Pleasant Hill,	100	5

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APPOINTMENTS.	Appor-	Paid	Appointments.	Apportioned.	Paid
MILFORD DISTRICT.	-		MILFORD—Continued.		
	#0	#		\$57	\$67
ABERDEEN,		\$155	Fayetteville,	1 " 0 "	
Bradyville,	142	142	Greenberry,	86	
Ebenezer,	138	-	MASON,	600	1
Fitch's Chapel,	112		Union,	165	
AMELIA,	425	425	Socialville,	135	135
Pleasant Hill,	145		MONTGOMERY,	92	
Union Chapel,	80		Brecon,	******	92
BETHEL,	331	331	Branch Hill,		102
Lakin,	97	91	Maineville,		S2
Old Bethel,	96	91		52	
Clermont,	56	39	Moscow,	202	1
Mt. Olive,	40		Calvary,	200	1
CENTENARY,	82	68	Point Pleasant,	151	151
Pleasant Hill,	116		Neville,	123	123
Perintown,	82		MT. WASHINGTON,	300	
Mt. Zion,	82	82	,	165	
Mt. Olive,	-0	57	Salem,	75	
Concord,	95		NEWTOWN,	163	
Сніго,		- 1	Armstrong Chapel,	163	
Cedron,		116	Madeira,	100	
McKendree,		78	Camp Dennison,	100	
Smith's Landing,	60		OWENSVILLE,	180	180
Higginsport,		48	Maple Grove,	70	70
DECATUR,		174		155	155
Eckmansville,		68		145	
Fairview,		63	SUMMERSIDE,	200	
North Liberty,	138	124	Olive Branch	170	170
Russellville,		146	Asbury,	170	
FEESBURG,	52	33	Withamsville,	60	60
Hamersburg,		91	South Lebanon,	325	
Eden,	0.	238	Shiloh,	125	125
Pisgah,	73	75	Roachester,	50	
Zion,	50	31	WEST UNION,	462	
FELICITY,		475	Liberty Chapel,	150	
Point Isabel,		125	Stone Chapel,	88	88
GEORGETOWN,	_	500	WILLIAMSBURG CIRCUIT:		
Free Soil,		115	Clover,	120	
Hillman	85	85	Afton,	120	
Olive Chapel,		85	Salem,	105	105
GOSHEN,			Concord,	100	100
Pleasant Plains,		110	Branch Hill,	55	00
Charleston,		80	HILLSBORO DISTRICT.		
LAUREL,	,	208		# - 0	dt = = C
Mt. Pisgah,		158	BELFAST,	\$128	
Spring Grove,	122	122	Flat Run,	114	,
Franklin,		II2	Folson,	55	54
MAINEVILLE,		450	Loudon,	118	
Zoar,		150	Louisville,	90	89
MANCHESTER,		431	Prospect,	95	95
Bentonville,		-	BOWERSVILLE,	220	
Quinn Chapel,	47	29	Center,	230	230
MADAMILON					
MARATHON,		116	Zion,	100	100

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Appointments.	Apportioned.	Paid	Appointments.	Apportioned.	Paid
HILLSBORO-Continued.			HILLSBORO—Continued.		
Cedar Mills,	\$127	\$127	Mt. Holly,	\$60	\$60
Union	70		WAYNESVILLE,	650	
HIGHLAND,	375	0.0	Harveysburg,	150	
Memphis,	211	223	WINCHESTER,	400	
Samantha,	164		Seaman,	300	
Leesburg,	450		1		
East Monroe,	154	154	SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.	1	
Olive Chapel,	146		BRANDT,	\$130	\$130
LYNCHBURG,	364		Palmer,	150	
Dunn's Chapel,	169		Pisgalı,	121	121
Russell's,	121	121	Wayne,	75	38
Dodsonville,	159	115	CATAWBA,	490	-
MARTINSVILLE,	115	115	Pleasant Chapel,	105	
Westboro,	140	-	Nation Chapel,	220	
Midland,	65	59	CEDARVILLE,	600	-
Morrisville,	140		Clifton,	100	100
Webertown,	65	48	CHRISTIANSBURG,	194	194
MOWRYSTOWN,	57	47	Beech Grove,	95	
Buford,	150		McKendree,	236	
Brouse Chapel,	62	62	Wesley,	75	
Clear Creek,	38	38	CLIFTON AVENUE,	700	
New Market,	48	48	Vienna,	175	
Pike Chapel,	43	43	DIALTON:	,,,	, ,
MT. ORAB,	255	255	Newson,	358	360
Sardinia,	245	245	Simms,	140	
Shiloh,	100	75	Asbury,	137	
New Hope,	50	50	Grafton,	75	
NEW BURLINGTON,	252	252	KING'S CREEK,	350	
Lumberton,	214	214	Cable,	50	
Sharon,	233	233	Kennard,	40	
Zoar,	IOI	IOI	Local Chapel,	40	40
NEW JASPER,	551	551	MUTUAL,	240	240
Mt. Tabor,	IIO	IIO	Union Chapel,	250	250
White Chapel,	IIO	IIO	Treacle Creek,	105	105
NEW VIENNA,	435	435	Fountain Park,	55	55
Auburn,	170	170	NEW MOOREFIELD,	135	135
West Chapel,	145	145	Asbury,	170	
PEEBLES,	392	392	Fletcher,	155	155
Jacksonville,	136		Moorefield Chapel,	190	
Locust Grove,	87	87	South Charleston,	650	650
RAINSBORO,	305	305	Selma,	175	
Boston,	7.3	73	TREMONT CITY,	182	
Marshall,	162	162	Concord,	364	364
New Petersburg,	IIO	OII	Terre Haute,	137	137
SINKING SPRING,	180		Westville,	178	178
Carmel,	153	153	TROY CIRCUIT:		
Cedar Chapel,	57	57	Casstown,	241	208
Conaway Chapel,	38	38	Bethel,	182	185
Pisgah,	72		Raper,	177	177
Union,	245	245	YELLOW SPRINGS,	600	
Spring Valley, Richland,	245	245	Emory,	125	
	125	125	Old Town,	80	82

## COMMITTEES.

#### AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

For more than eighty-seven years the American Bible Society has been engaged in the translating, printing, and circulation of the Book of books, until to-day in over one hundred different languages and vernaculars it is being read. What a glorious record, and yet the work is scarce begun, for there are yet other tribes and peoples for whom it must be translated and to whom it must be given ere this world is brought to

the feet of the Savior of men.

That the work is all important is not alone self-evident; but the testimony of every minister of the gospel in the home lands, as well as the missionary of the Cross in the foreign, is that the work is intensely imperative. And what is needed is that while the Church is slowly awakening to the fact of its position among the factors for the redemption of the world, yet there must be a larger recognition. Our people must be told more fully about its activities and its needs. It must be given its recognized place among the benevolences, and we rejoice that this is slowly but surely being accomplished in this Conference. And as an evidence of our good-will and earnest effort, we want to reaffirm the resolution of last year, to wit: "That we readopt the apportionment of recent years; viz., one-eighth as much as the apportionment for missions, and that the presiding elders be hereby requested to send this out with the other appor-Again: In view of the recent experiences, the society has issued a circular requesting that in every case contributors be requested to designate whether their donations shall be used for the general work of the Parent Society or for use in local work. Also that care be taken to respect the intention of donors; that is, that money intended for the general work of the American Bible Society shall reach its treasury, while money contributed for local work is used for that purpose, vouchers for both will be honored by the Conference as collections for the Bible cause. In this connection another word of caution is important. Experience within the bounds of this Conference and elsewhere emphasize the necessity of care as to the "agents" to whom American Bible Society money is paid. If in doubt in any case, correspond with the Secretaries or with the Field

We would congratulate the Field Agent, Rev. John Pearson, D. D., for his successful work the past year, and respectfully request that the pre-

siding Bishop reappoint him to the office he now holds.

WILLIAM J. BAKER, Secretary. J. F. McColm, Chairman.

#### AUDITING COMMITTEE.

THE Auditing Committee would report that they have examined the following accounts, and believe them to be correct: Treasurer American University, Treasurer Board of Stewards, Treasurer Publishing Com-

mittee, Conference Treasurer, Treasurer Mears Bequest: also the accounts of Treasurer of Board of Stewards in the manner of distributing of certain funds for the year 1901-1902, and Conference Treasurer.
O. D. BECKER, Secretary.

J. D. DARLING, C.

J. D. DARLING, Chairman.

#### CHURCH EXTENSION.

THE Church Extension Society by its past accomplishments commends itself to the liberality of Methodists everywhere, and merits the confidence and support of all our people. The Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church makes report of progress and needs.

From 1866, when this work began, to November 1, 1902, the Board

collected and disbursed \$7,748,781.24. Of this the General Fund, derived chiefly from collections, bequests, personal gifts for frontier Churches (\$250 each), and Mountain Fund Specials of \$100 each, has aggregated \$4,803,-888.53. The Annuity and Loan Funds, including loans returned, amount to \$2,944,892.71, making the total amount used \$7,748,781.24. With this the Board aided 12,356 Churches.

Our Conference has shared in this work as follows: The collections taken in our Churches, from the beginning to November 1, 1902, the close of the last fiscal year of the Board, aggregated \$71,358.85. Forty-six Churches within our bounds have received aid up to November 1, 1902, by

donations, \$11,835, and loans, \$27,300.

The part our Conference is to take, in both giving and receiving, is definitely fixed, under provisions of Discipline, by the General Committee from year to year. For the ensuing year our Conference is asked to raise by collections \$6,500. Our needy Churches may, on approved applications, receive \$1,200. The amount of aid granted must depend on the amount of the collections taken, and can not exceed the proportion above indicated. Interest, therefore, in our own Conference, as well as in the general cause, should inspire us to use all diligence to secure the full amount asked, and if possible go beyond it.

Christianity in Earnest, with its quarterly visits, will furnish to all who receive it the latest tidings of this work and its wants, and will also contain

the Annual Report of the Board in quarterly installments.

Documents for free distribution can be secured by pastors and Church Committees on Church Extension on application to the Board of Church Extension, 1026 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

On behalf of the Board of Church Extension, we submit the following

resolutions for the action of the Conference:

1. We heartily congratulate the Board of Church Extension and the Church at large on the great success of this work in all its history, and especially on the remarkable financial success of the past year.

2. That our country, being new, with rapidly increasing population and new territorial additions, still needs the work of Church Extension, and that our Methodism, by fostering and strengthening this work, will increase its own power to do the larger work demanded.

3. That we, as a Conference, will not be content with anything less than a full response to the call of the General Committee until all people in our

land shall be furnished with places for worship.

4. That our Presiding Elders be requested to apportion with care the full amount asked for Church Extension to the several districts and pastoral charges for collection, and that, availing ourselves of the helps provided by the Board, we will present this cause in all our Churches, and secure at least the amount asked in accordance with the plan of our Discipline.

O. L. Seward, Secretary.

#### CONFERENCE DEACONESS BOARD.

THE Conference Deaconess Board would respectfully report, that of the forty-four deaconesses registered one year ago three have retired from the work, Stella Crone, Margaret Flack, and Lotta Kerans.

One highly esteemed, excellent worker in the field, Carrie Walker, has

died. Her sweet, gentle, faithful life ended triumphantly.

the work of missionary deaconesses and in the hospital.

During the year the Board has licensed five deaconesses, Nettie Hothorn, Adda Day, Delina Fidler, Vanluah Jaques, Lelia Lybarger.

We recommend forty-five deaconesses for continuance in office: Mary Pauline Abbott, Effie Austin, Anna R. Bassett, Azuba Buxton, Willa Cassel, Carra Close, Caroline Dau, Adda Day, Florence Deaver, Anna Dwinell, Emma Enders, L. May Eyre, Flora Faber, Delina Fidler, Dora Haines, Anna Hare, Nettie Hathorn, Kate Rawls Haynes, Ida Haer, Gertrude Holbert, Lucelia, House, Emma Huston, Sarah, Ireland, Vanluah, Lagues bert, Lucelia House, Emma Huston, Sarah Ireland, Vanluah Jaques, Amanda Longbrake, Lelia Lybarger, Mary McEwan, Olive Marshall, Sarah Martin, India Paff, Harriett Pellman, Ida Pennell, Hannah M. Pierce, Laura Jean Pierson, Alice Rodgers, Lotta Sinnet, Ella Slear, Bessie Smith, Clora Solomon, Lina Terrell, Alice Thatcher, Carrie Thompson, Margaret Veach, Lula White, Sadie Williams.

In the fourteenth Annual Report of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home Association we find that the work has grown in magnitude and importance. The hospital has ministered to six hundred more patients than any previous year. It has done more than \$10,000 worth of free work. Numerous conversions and reclamations are reported in connection with

The work in the hospital requires a larger number of nurses than offer themselves as deaconesses, so that twelve young ladies have been received to be trained as professional nurses.

The receipts have been from

Churches and individuals \$12,915 1 Hospital earnings 14,283 8 Sundry other sources 4,040 7	37
Total	

Improvements of importance are being made, which will enlarge the capacity and increase the efficiency of the hospital.

#### HOME FOR THE AGED.

We commend to your careful attention the excellent and encouraging report presented from the Home of the Aged, and hope that the appeals made therein will be re-enforced by you, and meet with hearty response from our people.

We concur in the request of the management for the reappointment of Dr. H. C. Weakley as President of the institution; also in the request of the management of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home for the appointment of Dr. W. A. Robinson as Corresponding Secretary.

James N. Gamble, Secretary. Gervaise Roughton

GERVAISE ROUGHTON, President.

#### EDUCATION.

#### THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

WE express our high appreciation of the beneficient work being done by our Board of Education in aiding needy students in our higher institutions of learning. This assistance is so rendered as to preserve the selfrespect and self-reliance of the beneficiary, and is therefore both worthy in purpose and commendable in spirit. We record with gratitude the fact that the Twentieth-century Movement has largely increased our educational endowments. These endowments, however, must be yet further augmented in order that our institutions may successfully meet the demands of the times. We urge every pastor to faithfully and fully present the cause of education to the people, and to secure, if possible, increased contributions to the work.

We cheerfully commend Children's-day as a means of awakening

interest and conveying information touching this great cause.

We recommend the continuance of the policy of devoting the proceeds of the general educational collection to the Ohio Wesleyan University.

#### OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

I. ENROLLMENT.—The total enrollment of the university for the past year is 1,481, the largest in the history of the institution. Every county in the State, thirty-two States, and eleven foreign countries are represented in the enrollment. At the last Commencement 156 were granted degrees.

in the enrollment. At the last Commencement 156 were granted degrees.

2. Endowment.—The total funds of the university in 1889 were \$439,000. The total funds in its possession to-day are \$1,654,123, a gain of \$1,215,123. In addition to this gain actually in possession of the university there are pledges, wills, etc., reaching \$600,500, making a total gain during the last fourteen years of \$1,815,623. The gain of funds now in actual possession is three times as great, and the gain of funds now in possession and in prospect is four times as great as the total funds of the university in 1889.

3. INTELLECTUAL WORK.—The Ohio Wesleyan University has won four out of the seven contests of the Ohio Intercollegiate Debating League. In the contests of the Central Oratorical League the Ohio Wesleyan has won

first place four times.

4. Religious Work.—In the country at large only nine per cent of the young men between the ages of fifteen and twenty-five years are members of the Church; in our colleges fifty-two per cent of the young men are Church members; while in the Ohio Wesleyan ninety-three per cent of the young men have Church affiliations. In that institution education means the development of the whole man. Recognizing the necessity of the denominational school, we heartily approve and commend the Ohio Wesleyan University.

We recommend the reappointment of Robert W. Burns as a Trustee

of the university for another term of five years.

#### THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS.

The reports of our Visitors to our theological schools indicate, as here-tofore, that the ability of their teaching corps and the soundness of their instruction leave nothing worthy of mention to be desired. We deplore the tendency to disregard these reports of our accredited representatives, and to listen to the misrepresentations of a sensational press or the reckless utterances of isolated individuals. Methodism is worthily served by each of these institutions. She can be better employed than in instituting invidious comparisons between them. It is incumbent upon us to yield to them the honor they deserve, and to urge our young men who are called to the ministry to avail themselves of their advantages.

#### WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE.

This college, founded for the purpose of offering young women facilities for a thorough collegiate education under the most favorable conditions, is successfully prosecuting the work for which it was established. Its equipment is excellent, its discipline is effective, its atmosphere is in-

vigorating, its ideals are inspiring. We commend it to all who are seeking an institution in which young womanhood may find the highest physical, mental and moral development.

#### HILLSBORO COLLEGE.

The lease entered into one year ago by the Trustees with the Hillsboro Special District Board of Education for the period of ten years for educational purposes still remains in full force. The lease requires that an insurance of at least \$10,000 shall be carried on the buildings, and that they shall be kept in good repair.

We recommend the election of the following named Trustees for the ensuing year: George W. Barrere, John A. McCoppin, O. N. Sams, George W. Miller, D. M. Barrett, W. C. Duckwall, V. F. Brown, and James F. Brown, said Trustees to have power to fill any vacancies that may occur

in their number.

We recommend the appointment of a Commission to co-operate with the Trustees, said Commission to be composed of the Presiding Elder of the Hillsboro District, the pastor of the Hillsboro Methodist Episcopal Church, and Frank G. Mitchell.

We nominate Visitors to our educational institutions as follows:

To Ohio Wesleyan University.—C. L. Conger, M. LeSourd; alternate, M. B. Fuller.

To Drew Theological Seminary-E. H. Cherington, A. B. Leonard;

alternate, C. E. Schenk.

To School of Theology, Boston University—J. A. Story, R. J. Wyckoff;

alternate, S. W. Bell.

To Garrett Biblical Institute.—A. B. Austin, J. J. McCabe; alternate, G. W. Dubois. C. M. VAN PELT, Secretary. J. A. Story, Chairman.

#### EPWORTH LEAGUE.

THE Methodists have always exercised, or attempted to exercise, jealous care of their young people. The Epworth League has won a permanent place in the Church because it trains young men and women, preparing

them for usefulness in the Church and service in the world.

Because of its growing strength the League is attaining to increased usefulness. Though some of the early forms of its activity may have changed, the enthusiasm still exists, being manifest along lines of work that are in harmony with the new conditions and great needs. We rejoice in the wisdom of the leaders of these hosts of young people in rising to the emergency presented by these new conditions. By emphasizing and providing definite plans of work for systematic Bible and mission study, by the effort to promote the spirit of true benevolence through systematic giving, by training in personal evangelism, the League is promoting in no small degree the higher life of the Church.

Recognizing to the full the importance of the new movement looking toward better religious education of the child, we call attention to the great possibilities in this work open to the Junior League. We urge that wherever possible Junior Leagues be organized and carefully guarded, that these study classes be formed, and that the work of religious teaching be emphasized in all our Churches.

We would heartily commend the Epworth Herald, the official organ of the League, because of its high spiritual tone, lofty ideals, and evangelical spirit. Its large circulation must be most helpful in the promotion of intelligence among the young people of Methodism. We pledge our earnest cooperation in extending the circulation of the *Herald*, and in enlarging the sale of the books of the Reading Course among our young people.

C. P. Pumphrey, B. D. Hypes, W. L. Y. Davis, O. M. Sellers.

We would respectfully recommend that in the arrangement of programs for future Conferences provision may be made for a suitable evening for the presentation of the interests of the Epworth League by a proper representative or representatives of the Epworth League.

B. D. Hypes, Chairman.

### FREEDMEN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION SOCIETY.

The Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society, founded thirty-seven years ago, has become one of the great institutions of our Church. It was founded because of the necessities of the black man after emnacipation. He was originally made an inhabitant of this country not by any volition of his own, but for the pleasure and profit of the white man. He has been made a citizen not because he rebelled, but because his master did; and now he has become an important factor in this Republic that can not be ignored, and must be trained for the best citizenship and saved for God.

The Society found soon after undertaking this work that not only the colored man, but the poor white man as well, must be embraced within its beneficent aims. It stands for the intellectual, moral, and spiritual help of every seventh person in our Nation. Its field of work is among the ten millions of destitute black people and the three millions of poor white people of the South. A large per cent of these people can not read or write. Our Government put on the colored man the duty of citizenship, then abandoned him to the care of the impoverished South. Contrast this with the Nation's educational provision for the Filipinos, sending shiploads of teachers to them. No people ever stood in sorer need of sympathy and help than the South.

Our work has grown among them till the lands and buildings of the Society are valued at over \$2,000,000, and there was expended during the past year over \$400,000. It has trained more than two hundred thousand in its schools. It has equipped two thousand ministers and five hundred physicians. It is sending workers with gospel firebrands into Africa to make that dark continent blaze and flame with the love and light of Christ. Moses with a masterly stroke delivered two millions of slaves from bondage, then trained them for forty years till they became the greatest nation of all times. Lincoln struck the shackles from four million slaves, and was himself slain. But the Freedmen's Aid—this modern Moses—will struggle with the Freedmen in the wilderness of ignorance and sin until the desert blossoms as the rose and brings forth fruit for the ages.

As Cincincinnati is the birthplace of this Society, whose noble and efficient Secretaries reside in our midst, we hereby reaffirm our confidence in its management and success. We recommend that the \$6,750 which is apportioned to our Conference be divided among the districts and charges for collection, and an effort made to secure the full amount. We call attention to the fact that the *Christian Educator* will be sent to every person giving one dollar.

D. J. Starr, Chairman.
F. C. English, Secretary.
J. L. Dalbey,
S. G. Pollard,
J. G. Black,
R. S. Rust,
C. W. Elliott,
G. S. Easton.

#### MISSIONS.

We rejoice in the widespread revival of interest and zeal in the cause

We believe that now, more than at any time in our history, God has laid the cause upon the conscience and heart of the Church, and that it is

awakening to a sense of its responsibility and opportunity.

We record with gratitude to God the amazing success of the late Cleveland Convention, by its voluntary and munificent contribution of \$336,000 to the Emergency Fund, by its permanent addition to our missionary literature in the publication of the "Open Door," and, further, by the recent issue of ten thousand copies of that book at fifty cents per copy. We believe that the increased sale of the "Open Door" would carry the impetus given by the Cleveland Convention to this cause to our utmost borders.

We approve of the decision of the Board of Managers to continue the

Open Door Emergency Movement through 1903.

It is also a cause of praise to God that the income of the Society has been largely increased; but this is more than paralleled by the immense success of our workers abroad, a success so great as to be a cause of embarrassment. With a Church blessed of God in basket and store, we ought to reach one dollar per member as the minimum, and make ability to give the maximum.

We repeat our action of last year to devote one night in the midweek

once a month to a missionary prayer-meeting.

We approve of the policy of the administration to send free to all persons or families subscribing one dollar or more World-Wide Missions; but more than one copy can not be sent to one family, and no credit can be transferred from one person to another.

It is with unfeigned pleasure we approve of the wise and efficient administration of our own Dr. A. B. Leonard, upon whom this vast responsibility rests, and pray that the God of all grace may sustain him in his labors and give direction and success to his consecrated endeavor.

JOHN WILSON, Secretary.

H. C. MIDDLETON, Chaire

H. C. MIDDLETON, Chairman.

#### PARSONAGES.

THE Church of God in Old Testament times provided well for the support of its ministry. When the pastor became aged, infirm, or worn-out, he was assigned a place in the suburbs of the city, and was to be sustained in comfort and honor in his declining years.

The teachings of the New Testament, as well as modern conditions,

makes a comfortable home necessary to the highest success of the gospel

minister.

Your Committee note with pleasure the fact that there are in the Cincinnati Conference one hundred and twenty-six parsonages for use of the pastors. We suggest:

1. The pastors living in these homes see to it that they are kept in

good repair, neat, clean, attractive.

2. That the Quarterly Conference maintain a close oversight of this kind of property committed to their trust, asking the membership, as occasion requires; for the needed funds to either build, or repair, or furnish these homes with at least heavy furniture for the use of their pastor.

3. We urge every charge to endeavor to own such a home, and that uniformity be sought in its furnishings as far as possible.

C. H. HAINES, J. H. LEASE, S. G. POLLARD, A. G. NEWTON. GEORGE H. SMITH, S. STEPHAN. R. S. McColm.

#### PERIODICALS AND PREACHERS' ACCOUNTS.

THE Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern Accounts begs leave

to submit the following report:

Western Christian Advocate.—1. The position of the denominational paper becomes more and more difficult. The problem confronting those producing it is not merely to keep within the limits set by the particular Church which it represents, without losing in breadth and catholicity of spirit; but it must compete with the perfectly equipped non-religious weekly papers. We commend the editor and publishers of the Western for the progress they have made toward the solution of this problem. Never in its history has the Western been more attractive than it is at the present time. Nor have its editorial columns ever been more rigorous, timely, or readable. We are of the opinion that our people generally do not see the value of such a paper to the progress of Methodism, or they would more generally subscribe for it.

2. We commend our pastors for their fidelity to the paper in the past, and urge them to press its claims upon the people for the sake of the people, as well as for the success of the paper. We can not, however, agree with those who assert that the circulation of the paper would be far larger than it is now, were the pastors more faithful to presenting it and soliciting

· for it.

3. If the publishers think it expedient, we advise that they supplement or displace the present soliciting force by paid field workers, or by adopting

the circulation methods of the great non-religious weeklies.

4. We recognize the difficulty of producing a great paper with a limited capital and staff. The popular papers of the day are the joint products of many specialists. But we believe that there are many gifted Methodists in the ranks of the laity, with literary talents, whose gifts ought to be utilized

to add to the attractiveness and popularity of the Western.

5. Realizing that one chief difficulty at present with the Western, as with all our Methodist weeklies, is lack of funds, we suggest that the pastors be requested to give up their commissions, and that the fund thereby secured to the publishers be used to obtain literary material. Such a move would secure no small sum for this work. Any pastor worthy of his place in the ministry of Methodism will gladly do his part for the official paper out of denominational loyalty.

6. We urge that the Publishing Agents exercise greater caution and

vigilance in the advertising department of the paper.
SUNDAY-SCHOOL LITERATURE.—Our Sunday-school literature is second

to none, and should have its place in every Sunday-school.

Preachers' Accounts.—Concerning preachers' accounts, we recommend that the same business methods be used in dealing with these as any conservative business house employs in securing its outstanding accounts. Special extenuations in particular cases ought to be referred to a special Committee.

R. J. WYCKOFF, Chairman. J. ALLEN GEISSINGER, Secretary. FRANK G. MITCHELL,

R. E. SMITH, J. R. HILL, W. H. WEHRLY.

#### PUBLIC MORALS.

THE Church stands for civic righteousness and individual regeneration. It is a Cunarder carrying the passengers into port, and the lifeboat rescuing the shipwrecked mariner. It is the stream that quenches the conflagration, and the fire escape for the last man. The City of the New Jerusalem has no temple. There is need of none. Pessimism is dismissed when one compares the present with the past. Astronomers calculate the orbit and period of a planet by taking observations of it at different and distant intervals. Remember the days of Paul, Constantine, the Reformers, the Wesleys, and say not the "former days are better than these." The Christ of the Church has, to use Farrar's words: "Rescued the gladiator; freed the slave; protected the captive; nursed the sick; sheltered the orphan; elevated woman; changed pity from vice into virtue; lifted poverty from curse into beatitude; ennobled labor from vulgarity into dignity; sanctified marriage from a little more than a burdensome convention into a little less than a blessed sacrament."

Ancient Edom was Israel's most implacable and persistent foe. Partially conquered one day, the guerrilla warfare of the enemy made possible additional harassment on Judah's borders the next morning. The Edom spirit still lives. Gladiatorial combats persist in prizefights. The ancient degradation of woman is continued in modern licensed prostitution. The ruthless destructon of children in days of Rome's cruelty obtains in spirit, in child labor. The gambling mania, expressing itself in casting lots for the garments of our Lord, is multiplied in numerous ways. The Wise Man's warning against "drink" is unheeded by those who, dominated by appetite, ambition, and avarice, support the liquor-traffic. Race prejudice, once manifesting itself in slavery of a people, is noticeable still in local peonage, and the national sin and crime of lynching. The New Testament is a book of principles, not precepts. The Church has no special recipe for particular ills. Its function is to enunciate and apply our Lord's distillation of the Ten Commandments, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, and thy neighbor as thyself." It is to mold public sentiment, not reflect it. The ambassadors of God, standing in Christ's stead, are to fear no man.

We are linked to "Him who cometh from Edom with dyed garments from Bozrah, glorious in his apparel, traveling in the greatness of his strength."

ALBERT C. TURRELL, Chairman.

M. B. Fuller, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF CONFERENCE.

#### FRATERNAL.

I. It has been very gratifying to us to have had with us at this session of our Conference our beloved brother, Rev. John W. Mason, and so many others of our superannuate brethren who are seldom able to be present. To all our superannuate brethren, and to Rev. J. E. H. Sentman, who passes to the superannuate relation after twenty-six years of effective ministry, we express our warmest affection, sincere sympathy, and blessed assurance that God will perfect that which concerneth them and us, and that we shall meet them in the fellowship of the Church triumphant.

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2. Whereas, The Rev. C. D. Munsey, after the labors of nearly a quarter of a century in our itinerant ranks, has found the conditions of his health such as to require him to take a superannuate relation at this session of our Conference, we hereby express our regret for the necessity of this step, and assure our beloved brother that we shall feel his loss from our work, and will pray for God's blessing in his comfort and restoration.

3. Resolved, That in the transfer of the Rev. George V. Morris from the Cincinnati to the Kentucky Conference we part with a brother beloved, with whom association has been most pleasant, and whose ministry in our Conference has been one of past success and future promise. In going to his new field of labor, we assure Brother Morris of our esteem and

prayers, and of a welcome whenever the leadings of Providence may point

his way back to the Cincinnati Conference.

4. Resolved, That in the retirement of the Rev. George H. Dart, D. D., from the effective ranks, we remember with pleasure the forty-seven years of his usefulness in the ministry of our Church, the delightful fellowship we have enjoyed with him as our associate in the pastorate and in the presiding eldership; that we are glad that he is still in strength to do valuable service in the Master's vineyard, and will be glad to have his assistance in our pulpits and meetings, and will welcome him again to the effective ranks whenever he may be able to return.

5. Resolved, That in the passing of the Rev. Edward McHugh into the supernumerary relation at the close of forty seven years of self-sacrificing toil in the cause of temperance, social purity, freedom, and moral reforms, and in the pulpits of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we most sincerely congratulate Dr. McHugh on the noble record he has made, on the high esteem in which he is held, and that we will remember him and his family in our prayers, and do assure him of a welcome to our pulpits and homes, and of restoration to the effective relation whenever his health may permit.

6. Resolved, That in the passing of the Rev. H. A. M. Henderson, D. D. LL. D., into a superannuate relation after an efficient and brilliant public ministry of forty-seven years in Methodist pulpits, and as superintendent of education of the State of Kentucky, and in other public positions, we record our gratitude to God for the usefulness of Dr. Henderson's life, and assure him of our highest esteem, our warmest love, and our most sincere prayers; and that we will be glad to welcome him to our pulpits and to our homes at any time.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION.

Resolved. I. That as we have long looked forward to the coming of Bishop Charles H. Fowler, LL. D., to preside at our Conference, so we shall long remember that he has been with us by what he has said and done, notably his comprehensive and stirring address on the conditions of a successful ministry delivered to the class of candidates for admission to Conference membership, and his majestic, philosophic, historic, eruditic, oratoric, and prophetic address on the "Wesleyanizing of the World," delivered at our Wesley Bicentennial Anniversary, and his providential sermon Sunday morning on the "Leadership of the Holy Spirit;" and we assure Bishop Fowler that as he goes on his way to other fields of responsibility he will be accompanied with our best wishes and our prayers for long continued usefulness in his high office.

2. That it has been a great pleasure to us to have with us during our sessions our honored Conference associate, Bishop John M. Walden, L.L. D., and that we are always glad to have him in our assemblies and to see him

in our homes.

3. That we have been edified by the historic associations and surroundings of our Conference gatherings in this mother Church of Cincinnati Methodism; that we recall the text, "The Love of Christ Constraineth Us," from which Bishop Asbury preached on this site in 1808, as indicative of what the spirit of early Methodism was, and what the spirit of present-day Methodism ought to be, and what we have found it really to be in the membership of this historic congregation; that we are profoundly grateful to the officers and members of Wesley Church, and to the officers and members of the other Methodist Churches of Cincinnati and vicinity for the hospitality and opportunities afforded to the Conference and to its members and guests.

4. That to the industrious, fraternal, enterprising, and liberal-minded pastor of Wesley Chapel, the Rev. Gervaise Roughton, we are indebted for the ample care he has taken for our comfort and welfare; that we are under great obligations to our brothers ,the presiding elder, and pastors of the Cincinnati District for their mutual co-operation in making this session of our Conference both enjoyable and successful.

5. That to our Secretary, Rev. S. O. Royal, D. D.; to our Treasurer, Rev. C. W. Horn; and to our Statistician, Rev. George S. Easton, and to

their assistants, we return thanks for their efficient services.

6. That to the daily papers of Cincinnati and to the Western Christian Advocate we return thanks for their kind and valuable services in publishing fair and accurate accounts of our proceedings.

7. To the ladies of Wesley Chapel, who have supplied our rostrum with plants and flowers; and to the Choir, who have furnished us excellent

music, we return sincere thanks.

8. That to the Traction Company, who furnished us free transportation to the Methodist Home of the Aged at College Hill; and to the friends who provided for us the ample luncheon served on that beautiful spot; and to our brother, the Rev. Dr. H. C. Weakley, whose supervising care secured to us all these favors, we express our gratitude and declare our purpose to make this beautiful charity an early and lasting success.

9. To the Managers of the Glenn Industrial Home, who gave a reception to Bishop Fowler and the Conference on Saturday evening; and to the officers and societies of the Epworth Leagues of the Cincinnati District, who generously provided for us a steamboat excursion on the Ohio River, we make record of our sincere gratitude and express our high appreciation of their kindness. D. J. STARR, Chairman.

W. L. Y. DAVIS, Secretary.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

As STUDENTS and guides of public sentiment and public conduct, we record once more our judgment in regard to the lamentable and perilous habit of Sabbath desecration which is in vogue in our land. The beautiful, hospitable, and cultivated city of Cincinnati, in which we are assembled, sets a deplorable example in this respect to all the smaller cities and towns of the State, and these are not slow in following her pernicious example. Sunday excursions, ball games, open saloons, theatrical and vaudeville performances, and suburban beer gardens carry on a work of demoralization (often associated with vice and sometimes with crime) which shows no sign of diminution. In view of these facts, we urge our pastors to instruct children and young people with unusual earnestness and discernment concerning the relation of Sabbath observance to the fundamental elements of character and right living. We counsel all ministers to secure recent and standard books on the Sabbath, to saturate their minds with the literature of the subject, to study afresh the obligations. privileges, and blessings which are vitally associated with the day of rest and worship, the blessed day which recalls the resurrection of Christ, and which is called by his own sacred name as "the Lord's-day," and to preach on this subject again and again. We would also urge upon employers of labor and upon the working men and women with whom we come in contact the great fact that many of the most sacred privileges of rest and worship and religious instruction—privileges on which our institutions and our liberties are builded—are undergirded by this fundamental institution of the Sabbath. Let all our pulpits ring with such pleas, defenses, instructions, and exhortations in

this respect as are worthy of the new age in which we live, appealing to men's judgments, convictions, and consciences, in behalf of the sanctuary of our spiritual life—the Sabbath-day and its associated services.

C. W. BLODGETT, JESSE B. YOUNG.

#### THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

THE Church is elastic—adjustable to the varying phases of progress and races. A change of Church polity is no proof of apostasy. A new departure may indicate progress. Methodism has hitched its wagon to a star. Were Asbury living he would not be jogging in a gig, but riding by rail and detouring in an automobile. Methodism helps to make the times; hence must keep up with them, even if she must saddle a stroke of lightning and ride it with spurs. Her "thoughts are widened with the process of the suns." We must measure progress by much we have left behind. Then we are "part of all that we have met," and we have met a good deal. We must imitate the pearly Nautilus, which as it grows builds a higher chamber for its more capacious form, always living at the top. We can not live on memories any more than a tree on last year's sap, or we can warm over a bank of leached ashes. Memory is a historian; hope a prophet. The living present is the gate of opportunity intervening the ivory pillars of memory and hope. Entered into the labors of the fathers, we must not rest in them. Our fathers served their generation and fell on sleep; but we are wide awake, and must not allow sleep to fall on us. Scorning the cold disdain of skepticism, we must storm the fort and scale its towers with ladders of logic. If the fight shows a weak joint in the harness, we must close the rivets up. Achilles would have escaped had he not exposed his vulnerable heel. Ours is the battle of truth-not of a hereditary creed nor of a traditionary usage. Nothing need be feared that can not be denied. We must accept facts. Every fresh scientific fact requires an interpretation of the Bible in correspondence with it. If the mountain will not come to us, we must go to the mountain. There are truths in the Bible that require an algebraic sign—X rays. Let us be careful of our minus and prodigal of + our ignorance—ad infinitum.

There is radium in the Bible to make archangels blink, cause seraphs to fold their wings over their eyes, and to singe the brows of the Higher

Critics.

The Church must broaden her dome and open all her windows of agate to the light of truth. We should be as jealous for a truth of nature as for a truth of the Bible. Nature and Revelation are the twin lenses of a stereoscope, and with a right parallax the twain blend in harmony of view.

The state of the Church is an inquiring one. Jesus Christ is the Great Disturber of time. He came to send a sword. Science may seek to discrown him, but it can not disown him. The battle on is to fix his place in the scale of being. The pre-eminent lesson of science is faith in the in visible and intangible. Scientific inquiry is helping the Bible to supremacy as an authority. Truth seekers are gospel helpers. Theology must expand. It is the historical office of the Church to take on, with each age, a new metamorphosis. She must discern the right image of her Creator behind all the prismatic refractions through which we receive it, and which change its complexion. The sacred person of Christ is the center of his system—the cross its outer sign. The Church must reconquer its apostolic integrity and reclothe itself with the garments of salvation. A sacred club can not substitute the spiritual organism—the institutional, the sacramental. Every communicant must be made to feel that he is a "member in particular" of the body of Christ. If the Church is to make conquest of materialism, it

must absorb it. The age demands a theology that will yield a deeper expose of the heart of Christ. John rather than the Synoptics must be read into the soul of the Church. The splendor he shoots through humanity must be displayed. The King in his beauty must charm men into loyalty to his scepter. We must show the awfulness of Sinai by countering it with the Cross of Calvary. The way in which a loadstone draws an armature to itself and glues it to the poles of the magnet is not perceptible. Neither is the energy of the Cross, but it is the power by which Christ draws men unto himself. We are not called upon to explain, but to publish the atonement. We are but the towers from which God starts the wireless telegraphy, by which God transmits his messages.

The Church is in a state of intense activity in promoting education and benevolence. It is the age of applied Christianity. Jesus built no hospices, but he inspired the parable of the Good Samaritan—the Orphean harp of the gospel, which molds and moves stones from quarries to walls. He righted the principles that right men. The Church is doing greater works than its Founder did, but only as it applies his teachings. The Church is than its Founder did, but only as it applies his teachings. making Christ ideals real by action. It is the Christ of history that is making the history of Christ. Deed blessings rather than ebullient emotion

are enriching the Christian heart.

This is the age of the consecration of children and youth, and of the

emancipation and enthronement of woman.

The gospel ensphered women in the sun of progress, put the burnt-out moon of cruel traditions beneath her feet, and crowned her brow with a

constellation of stars.

Woman introduced to the home and ear of the pagan mother, quickened the mission movement. A pious seed is being raised up to take the place of adults encrusted in the amber of superstition, converts are flocking like doves to the windows, and the time draws nigh when a nation shall be born to God in a day.

War is parking its artillery. Erelong international tribunals will arbitrate the quarrels of nations, and peace will reign. The Church must read the riot act to monarchs and mobs. The Golden Rule-the Magna Charta of the gospel-will become the constitution of society, and sin and sindicates will go down before its equities. Amid such activities and achievements how paltry the dogmatism and procrustian narrowness that have rent the

unity of the Church!

Who can afford to arrest progress by idle inquiries as to where Cain got his wife and Samson trapped his foxes? Nor should we be ruddered from the gulf stream into the eddies and caves by excessive stress on "meats and herbs" and the tithing of anise, mint, and cummin. We must not take to the progmatic drawing of lines to the neglect of lives. Right the heart, and the conduct will take care of itself. The constraints of the gospel exceed the restraints of the law. Christian liberty will not brook too much legalism. We can not bale out darkness. Let in the light, and night and its shadows will flee away. The new heart is the philosopher's stone that turns everything into gold. The gospel that saved the first must save the twentieth century. The Sermon on the Mount was the baccalaureate of the world's graduation in philosophy. It must be repeated on the heights of modern civilization. The Lord's Prayer needs no recission. The Parable of the Good Samaritan is the prolific Architect of Benevolence. The Parable of the Prodigal Son discloses the heart of God toward his wayward children, and is the gospel in epitome. "The old, old story" must be retold. The cross must be exalted.

We would fain believe that it is the purpose of the Church of the twentieth century to reutter and prolong the confession of Paul: "I deter-

mined to know nothing among you but Jesus and him crucified."

Resolved, That we approve of the Ohio Federation of Churches and Christian Workers, of which President J. W. Bashford, D. D., is the

president, and appoint Bishop J. M. Walden, John A. Story, C. W. Horn, and S. W. Bell the delegates of the Cincinnati Conference to the State Convention of the Association.

HOWARD HENDERSON, Secretary.

J. T. Bail, Chairman.

#### SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

OUR Sunday-school literature is unsurpassed. Its price is always reasonable. Compared with the same class of publications issued by other houses, our prices are, on the average, lower than any other. But even if this were not so, we should patronize our own Sunday-school literature. As well send our young men preparing for the ministry to some nondescript theological seminary, as to supply our Sunday-schools with literature from some irresponsible publisher. Dr. Neely and his associates have done remarkably good work for the Sunday-school periodicals of the Church. THOMAS P. WALTER, Secretary. JOHN PEARSON, Chairman.

#### TEMPERANCE.

THE Church of Jesus Christ is God's chosen champion against the liquor traffic. The two institutions are at moral antipodes. If the Church represents concretely the kingdom of God, the liquor institution stands no less faithfully for the kingdom of Satan. If the trend of the former's influences is heavenward, the grim goal of the latter's is no less surely in perdition. We can not be true to our holy God and mitigate our hostility one whit. We can not expect the Divine benediction upon any of our labors if we pursue a policy of craven neutrality or comfortable indifference or diplomatic delay in this conflict. Indulgence is atrocious, tolerance is criminal, silence and inertia are sheer apostasy to our mission and our Commander. God sends us to the speedy and absolute annihilation of this monster.

The liquor power, alarmed by the widespread activity and success of its enemies, is undertaking a more determined propaganda of conquest and defense than ever before. Its efforts are stealthy, united, untiring, and diabolical. It circulates literature by the ton, suborns the press, debauches the ballot, bribes, intimidates, flatters the authorities with unlimited effrontery. There is no bound to its viperish cunning in procuring patrons, and no limit to its insolent hatred against its arch-enemy, the Church. In view

of which, be it

Resolved, I. We recognize the pre-eminent importance of spiritual dynamics in this colossal warfare. Our agitation must be under the hand of God. Our strategy must proceed from his omniscient wisdom. We must wield the sword of the Spirit. Prayer and faith and holy vision and living

consecration must be our preparation for this huge struggle.

2. No one means of practical effort will suffice. Our tactics must be varied to meet the multiplied devices and horrors of this great conspiracy. Our campaign must be one of education, prevention, rescue, substitution, legislation, all looking to the utter prohibition of the entire traffic and the everlasting extinction of its abominations.

3. We commend with sincere enthusiasm the work of the various organizations aiming at the downfall of the liquor-traffic. We are cordially appreciative of the splendid and faithful work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in its various departments, and we welcome its delegates to this city for their National Convention in November. We mention with special praise the National and State Anti-Saloon Leagues. We commend

the prohibitory features of the Beal Law, and rejoice that since it went into effect 214 municipalities of the State have voted for local option under its provisions, and 135 of these are now without saloons. Seventy-six voted "wet;" with 3 the vote was a tie. Twenty of the 135 "dry" towns are within the bounds of the Cincinnati Conference. About a dozen townships of the Conference have voted "dry" within the past twelve months. Rev. E. J. Moore has traveled within our bounds during the year nearly fourteen thousand miles in the interests of the League, and Rev. F. M. Clemans has done valiant service. We heartily sanction these brethren and their work. The next step in the prohibition fight is ward local option. Our next

The next step in the prohibition fight is ward local option. Our next General Assembly will be asked to pass such a law, and enable the residence sections of our large cities to drive the saloons from their vicinities.

We also indorse the Hepburn Bill that is to come again before Congress at its next session, and we urge our people to use all possible influence by petition and otherwise to secure the passing of this measure, which will so amend interstate commerce legislation as to entirely prohibit the transportation of intoxicants into prohibition territory, whether State or local.

We demand that the present Anti-Canteen Law be continued on the

statute books, and be rigidly enforced.

We will encourage and assist the pledge-signing crusade being undertaken by the State Anti-Saloon League, and we urge our Sunday-schools to secure the signature of every scholar to the total abstinence pledge during the coming year.

4. We urge the expending as promptly as is feasible of the money appropriated by Congress for the benefit of the United States army posts, that the soldiers may be provided with places of recreation free from the asso-

ciations of the liquor saloon.

5. We earnestly condemn the proposed policy of making the United States Government a participant in the sale of opium in the Philippine Islands, and declare that the method of treatment should be prohibition, rather than taxation and regulation.

6. We insist on the carrying out of the laws respecting the teaching

of temperance in the schools.

7. We concur in recommending the observance of the fourth Sunday in

November as Temperance Sunday.

8. We heartily indorse and adopt the memorial to the General Conference adopted by the Rock River Conference, and proposed to us for action by that body:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States has decided that the traffic in intoxicating liquors as a beverage is dangerous to public safety and public morals. (See Beer Co. vs. Massachusetts et. al., 97, U. S. 32.)

WHEREAS, The aforesaid traffic has been prohibited in the naval and military reservations and in the Capitol Building at Washington, D. C.;

Therefore, We, the members of the Cincinnati Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, respectfully request you to memorialize the President and the Congress of the United States of America to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage in the Territories, Islands, District of Columbia, and all other places where the Federal Government has police control, to the end that the Legislative and Executive Departments may be in harmony with the Supreme Court.

Our motto is: "No Saloons under the Flag."

S. A. KEEN, Secretary. W. A. Robinson, Chairman.

### VI.

# Miscellany.

#### GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME

Has for twelve years carried on a many-sided missionary work, and still has its headquarters at No. 641 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, with its mission at Fifth and Front Streets. The seven workers who gave all of their time to the interests of the work last year were: Mrs. A. M. Given, Superintendent, and Miss F. A. Gunn, Missionaries; Miss A. R. Bassett and Miss M. P. Abbott, Deaconesses; Miss E. W. Wolfer, Miss Bertha Zur Muehler, and Miss Ella Lingenfelter, succeeded by Miss E. L. Roetken, Kindergartners, while sixteen special teachers and helpers assisted in the various lines of work. Our Home and Boarding Department accommodated last war are hardred and twenty for girls: those ment accommodated last year one hundred and twenty-five girls; these came from all parts of our own land, and a few from foreign countries.

One hundred and thirty-five names were enrolled in our three Kindergartens. Sunday-school, Prayer-meeting, a Boys' Gymnastic Club, Girls' Physical Culture Classes, Kitchengardens, Evening Cooking Classes, Sewing Classes, Dressmaking Classes, Evening Sewing Classes, Choral Classes, Classes in Basket Weaving, Temperance Meetings, Mothers' Meetings, were

all held regularly.

No department of our work has met with greater success than the missionary, in which we try to give to all the women and children an opportunity to know the blessedness of service for the Master. There are two Glenn Home Auxiliaries Woman's Home Missionary Societies, besides the Cheerful Workers' Circle and the Band and two hundred and Scores of people have been converted through the eighteen Jewels. Scores influence of this Home.

Five thousand six hundred and three visits were made last year by Missionaries, Deaconesses, and Kindergarten teachers.

Social entertainments were given from time to time, and a Literary

Circle met weekly.

Cash, flowers, and supplies of all kinds have been generously sent in, and the Glenn Home Board wishes to thank our kind friends and the various organizations that have aided our work, and most earnestly solicit their further co-operation.

Most respectfully in behalf of the Board.

EDITH B. GIBBS JONES, Chairman.

#### CINCINNATI MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Board of Trustees of the Cincinnati Missionary Society has managed the affairs of the Society during the past year with a conservative zeal that has brought about very satisfactory results.

The finances never were in better shape. The current expenses have

been paid without deficit, and the general indebtedness has been greatly reduced through the Twentieth century Thank-offering.

The Neave Street Mission has shown its strength by raising up to date \$1,800 towards a new church building. The Society has purchased a corner lot. Building will be commenced within the month.

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The new work of the Society for the year was located in Shantytown—a group of filthy house-boats in all stages of decrepitude—located in and on the banks of the Ohio River and Mill Creek. The state of the people, both moral and physical, was such as extreme poverty alone can produce. A large boat (16x20) was purchased. The work was conducted by a layman and deaconess, as a branch of Freeman Avenue.

The work among the Italians has been crippled by the removal of Rev.

G. B. Castellini to Montreal.

The campaign of the Gospel Wagon will close September 11th. It has been conducted by the Rev. H. G. Scudday. A hundred meetings have been held. Three hundred made requests for prayer. One hundred and nineteen professed conversion. Forty-two joined Church. A conservative estimate would indicate that 25,000 people had come under the influence of the gospel through this medium.

The statistical report from the missions is as follows:

	MEMBI	ERSHIP,	sus	Cor	
MISSIONS.	Full,	Proba- tionary,	school Average, .	Conversions, .	IN CHARGE OF
McMicken Avenue, Freeman Avenue,	90 51	70 71	94 156	54 186	T. S. King. I. D. Jones.
Shantytown,	5	12	29		R. S. Hayes, H. Jaque.
Neave Street,		18	82	26	W. H. Gilson.
Italian,	10	I	12		G. B. Castellini.
Total,	225	172	373	166	

The experience of the year is full of encouragement for the future. Respectfully,

J. R. Clark, Superintendent.

August 31, 1903.

#### JOHN MEARS BEQUEST.

Report of the Trustees for the year ending August 31, 1903. PRINCIPAL of the funds invested by the trustees..... \$7,750 00 Accrued interest on hand in bank, but bearing interest..... DISBURSEMENTS DURING YEAR: August 31, 1902. Ohio Wesleyan University, per voucher on file..... \$50 00 Illinois Wesleyan University, per voucher on file 50 00 Cincinnati Conference Claimants, per voucher on 100 00 100 00 5 00 posit Company ..... Making total disbursements during year..... \$305 00

Making total disbursements during year.... \$305 00 We certify that the above is a true statement of the account for the past year.

Respectfully submitted.

W. F. Boyd, W. A. Robinson, John Pearson, Trustees of the John Mears Bequest.

#### LAKESIDE.

Your Trustees of the Lakeside Camp-meeting Association respectfully report that Lakeside's first year under the new auspices has closed, and that it was in all directions a success. The attendance was large, the platform, during the Chautauqua meetings, was well sustained; the Campmeetings, English and German, were spiritual and profitable, and the financial outcome was very encouraging. To come finally into possession of the property and to make imperative repairs that for several years had been greatly neglected made a heavy outlay, but the plans of the Trustees are looking toward a liquidation of all debts in a comparatively short time. This beautiful and popular Christian summer resort and camp-meeting grounds is an honor to the Church, is greatly needed, and we confidently hope it will now, under the direct ownership of our Conferences, be a greater power for good than it has ever been.

To fill vacancies in the Board (by expiration of term), we recommend the appointment of Charles L. Conger, minister, and H. C. Hopkins, layman. Respectfully submitted.

B. R. Cowen, Vice-President.
JOHN PEARSON,

W. A. Robinson, H. C. Hopkins.

#### OUTLINE OF THE REPORT

### Of the Treasurer of the Board of Conference Trustees.

Assets. Shares of Stock: P. P. Mast & Co. Mast, Foos & Co. Little Miami Railroad.	. 11,900 00 . 1,500 00	
Notes secured. Value of lot in Madisonville. Cash in Bank September 1, 1902. Received on Notes. Received for sale of land to Traction Company.	. 70 0 6,015 5 . 2,168 0	0 0 2 0
	\$48,103 5	2
Received from interest	1,,,,	5
Expenses Paid Board of Stewards.  J. P. Porter, Secretary.  J. T.	. \$35 37 . 1,573 88 . BAIL, Treasurer.	5

Your Auditing Committee respectfully reports that it made a thorough and careful examination of the books and accounts of J. T. Bail, late Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Cincinnati Annual Conference; also examined all notes with their securities, all items of stock. The Committee finds there is on deposit in the Fifth National Bank, of Cincinnati, the sum of \$1,133.52, representing the cash balance at this date.

Respectfully submitted.

H. C. Weakley,
J. P. Porter.

#### BOARD OF STEWARDS.

We the Board of Stewards of the Cincinnati Conference heartily indorse the plans for "The Benefit of Conference Claimants," submitted by the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and referred to us by this Conference, and recommend them for favorable action. SIGNED BY STEWARDS.

#### "GIFTS OF TRUST."

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church will hereafter accept, in trust, and administer (subject to the provisions of the Discipline of said Church, and the rules, regulations, and by-laws of this Corporation), gifts of money, or other property, upon the condition or conditions set forth in any one of the following plans, respectively:

FIRST PLAN.—PRINCIPAL IRREDUCIBLE.

FOR BENEFIT OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

Condition: That the net income derived from the gift shall be annually paid to such Annual Conference or Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church as the donor may have directed at the time of making the gift; or, in the absence of such direction, then to all the Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for distribution to the Conference Claimants thereof, according to the Discipline of said Church.

SECOND PLAN.—PRINCIPAL IRREDUCIBLE.

FOR BENEFIT OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS, AFTER LIFE ESTATE.

Conditions: (1) That the net income derived from the gift shall be

annually paid to the donor, during the term of his natural life.

(2) That after the death of the donor, the net income derived from the gift shall be annually paid to such Annual Conference or Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church as the donor may have directed at the time of making the gift; or, in the absence of such direction, then to all the Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for distribution to the Conference Claimants thereof, according to the Discipline of said Church.

THIRD PLAN.—PRINCIPAL REDUCIBLE.

FOR BENEFIT OF SPECIFIC BENEVOLENT OBJECTS, AFTER LIFE ESTATE.

Conditions: (1) That the donor thereof, or other person or persons designated by him, shall be entitled to receive, during life, or for a fixed term, a specified annuity therefrom, such annuity to be paid out of the net income from the gift, if that be sufficient for the purpose; but in each and every year in which such income shall be insufficient for that purpose, the deficiency shall be paid out of, and deducted from, the principal of the gift.

(2) That after the death of the annuitant or annuitants, the remainder of the gift, if any there be, shall be a fund the net income from which shall be used for such specified benevolent object as the donor may have directed at the time of making the gift, the same not being contrary to the provisions of the Discipline; but if the donor shall have given no such specific direction, then such remainder shall be appropriated to the "Permanent Fund" described in Paragraphs Nos. 325, 328, 329, and 330 of the Discipline of said Church for the year 1900.

(3) That if in the course of administration the principal of any gift accepted under this third plan should become exhausted, then this Corporation shall not be under obligations to make any further payment whatration shall not be under conserver on account thereof.

Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

John M. Walden, President.

John Pearson, Secretary.

Correspondence relating to this matter should be addressed to George B. Johnson, Treasurer,

Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church. 220 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

#### PREACHERS' RELIEF SOCIETY.

Resources:				
Real Estate	\$21.602	2.1		
Bills receivable.	23.068	00		
Cash on hand		-		
Cash on hand	7.7		\$49,575	38
Liabilities:			449,373	Jo
Capital account	\$46.013	82		
Income account				
Annuity account	1,000			
Bills payable	,	00		
Dills payable	90		\$49,575	28
RECEIPTS:			449,575	30
Cash on hand, September 1, 1902	\$1,840	10		
	646			
Rents				
Interest	1,080			
Donations		00		
Membership fees	116			
Loans paid	1,540			
Insurance	-	00		
Sale of real estate	2,807	76	40 (	
74			\$8,063	II
EXPENDITURES:				
Donations	\$592	00		
Expenses	425	59		
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H. C. WEAKLEY, Treasurer.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, September 1, 1903. 1903

CINCINNATI, OHIO, September 4, 1903.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE: PREACHERS' RELIEF SOCIETY, CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

We have very carefully and faithfully examined all the notes, deeds, and mortgages, together with letters containing inclosures, vouchers, and all accounts, and compared the report herewith submitted with the books of the Society, and find each item to agree. Vouchers were submitted for all disbursements made. We find the books very carefully and accurately kept. The cash on hand was found to be deposited in the Fifth National Bank, of Cincinnati.

Respectfully submitted

R. E. SMITH, J. S. PUMPHREY, J. P. PORTER.

# VII. Historical.

# CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

## WESTERN CONFERENCE.

YEAR	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1801 . 1802 .	October 1, October 2,	Ebenezer, Tenn., Bethel Academy, Ky., Mt. Gerizim, Ky.,	Francis Asbury, Francis Asbury, Francis Asbury, Francis Asbury,	Wi'liam Burke. William Burke.
1805.	October 2,	Mt. Gerizim, Ky., Authony Houston, Ky., Ebenezer, Tenn.,	W. McKendree,	
1807.	September 14,	Chillicothe, O.,	Francis Asbury,	William Burke.
809 .	September 30,	Cincinnati, O.,	Francis Asbury,	William Burke.
810. 811.	September 6, . October 5,	Shelbyville, Ky., Cincinnati, O.,	W. McKendree, W. McKendree,	William Burke. Learner Blackman.

### OHIO CONFERENCE.

	October 1,	Chillicothe, O., W. Mc.	Kendree,	Charles Holliday.
1813.	September 1,	Steubenville, O., W. Mc	Kendree,	David Young.
1814 .	September 8, .	Cincinnati, O., John S	ale, P. E.,	David Young.
1815.	September 14,		Kendree,	David Young.
1816.	September 3, .	Louisville, Ky., (Enoc	IcKendree, . ch George,	David Young.
1817.	September 3, .	R. R.	IcKendree, Roberts,	David Young.
1818.	August 7,		IcKendree,	John Tevis.
	1	Enoc	IcKendree, In George,	Cornelius Springer.
1820 .	August 8,	Chillicothe, O., R. R. F.	Roberts,	Cornelius Springer.
1821 .	September 6, .	R. R.	lcKendree, . . Roberts,	Cornelius Springer.
		Marietta, O., W. M	ch George, . IcKendree, .	Cornelius Springer.
		(W. M	Roberts, IcKendree	Cornelius Springer.
1824 .	September 2, .		Roberts,	James Collard.
1825 .	October 12,		George,	Isaac C. Hunter.
1826 .	October 4,	Hillsboro, O., E. Hed	ding,	G. R. Jones.
1827 .	September 19,		George,	G. R. Jones.
1828 .	September 18,	Chillicothe, O., R. R. I	Roberts,	G. R. Jones.
1829 .	September 3, .	Urbana, O., $\begin{cases} R. R. \\ W. M \end{cases}$	Roberts,	G. R. Jones.
	September 8, .		e,	H. O. Sheldon.
	September 8, .	Mansfield, O., E. Hed	ding,	H. O. Sheldon.
	September 19,	Dayton, O., J. Emc	ry,	H. O. Sheldon.
1833 .	August 21,			H. O. Sheldon.
1834 .	August 20,			J. M. Trimble.
1835.	August 19,		Andrew, ule,	J. M. Trimble.
1836.	September 28,		le,	J. M. Trimble.
1837 .	September 275	Xenia, O., R. R. I	Roberts,	J. M. Trimble.
1838 .	September 26,	Columbus, O., B. Wat	igh,	J. M. Trimble.
1839 .	September 18,	Cincinnati, O., J. Soul	e,	J. M. Trimble.
1840 .	September 30,	Zanesville, O.,	edding, nlę,	J. M. Trimble.

## OHIO CONFERENCE.—Continued.

YEAR	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1841.	August 25,	Urbana, O.,	R. R. Roberts,	J. M. Trimble.
1543.	September 27,	Hamilton, O., Chillicothe, O.,	J. Soule,	I. M. Trimble.
1844.	September 4, .	Marietta, O.,	I. Soule.	J. M. Trimble.
1845 . 1846 .	September 3, . September 2, .	Cincinnati, O.,	L. L. Hamline,	J. M. Trimble.
1847	September 1, .	Columbus, O.,	E. S. Janes,	J. M. Trimble.
1849.	September 19,	Dayton, O.,	L. L. Hamline.	J. M. Trimble.
1850.	September 18,	Chillicothe, O.,	T. A. Morris	J. M. Trimble.
1851.	September 17,	Springfield, O.,	T. A. Morris	J. M. Trimble.

# CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

1853   September 28,   Hillsboro, O.   E. S. Janes,   J. T. Mitchell.   1854   September 28,   Hillsboro, O.   E. S. Janes,   J. T. Mitchell.   1855   September 26,   Cincinnati, O.   L. Scott,   J. T. Mitchell.   1856   October 1,   Ripley, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1857   September 9,   Fiqua, O.   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1858   September 9,   Lebanon, O.   E. S. Janes,   J. T. Mitchell.   1859   September 7,   Dayton, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1850   September 7,   Dayton, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1861   September 4,   Springfield, O.   M. Simpson,   J. T. Mitchell.   1862   September 2,   Springfield, O.   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1863   September 2,   September 3,   September 3,   September 4,   Springfield, O.   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1864   September 3,   Cincinnati, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1865   August 30,   Troy, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1866   August 29,   Ripley, O.   E. Thomson,   W. H. Sutherland,   1867   August 28,   Urbana, O.   T. A. Morris,   W. H. Sutherland,   1870   August 24,   Fiqua, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1871   August 30,   Layton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1872   August 28,   Eaton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1873   August 28,   Eaton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1874   August 26,   Wilmington, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland,   1875   September 4,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1876   August 30,   Oxford, O.   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland,   1877   September 5,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1878   September 6,   Dayton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1879   September 7,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland,   1871   Mayon 10,   M. Simpson,   David Judson Starr,   1872   September 5,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal,   1873   September 5,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal,   1884   September 5,   Springfield, O.   S. M.		
1854   September 25,   Hillsboro, O.   E. S. Janes,   J. T. Mitchell.   1855   September 26,   Urbana, O.   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1856   October 1,   Ribley, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1857   September 9,   Piqua, O.   E. S. Janes,   J. T. Mitchell.   1858   September 9,   Piqua, O.   E. S. Janes,   J. T. Mitchell.   1859   September 7,   Dayton, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1860   September 5,   Oxford, O.   M. Simpson,   J. T. Mitchell.   1861   September 4,   Springfield, O.   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1862   September 3,   Cincinnati, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1863   September 4,   Cincinnati, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1864   September 8,   Greenfield, O.   M. Simpson,   J. T. Mitchell.   1865   August 30,   Troy, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland.   1866   August 29,   Ripley, O.   E. Thomson,   W. H. Sutherland.   1867   August 29,   Hamilton, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland.   1869   August 20,   Hamilton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1870   August 24,   Piqua, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1871   August 30,   Dayton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1872   August 27,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1873   August 27,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1874   August 20,   W. H. Sutherland.   1875   September 1,   Cincinnati, O.   E. G. Andrews,   W. H. Sutherland.   1876   August 27,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1877   September 5,   Villmington, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland.   1878   September 6,   Dayton, O.   L. Scott,   W. H. Sutherland.   1879   September 7,   Piqua, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland.   1870   September 8,   Piqua, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland.   1871   September 9,   Piqua, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland.   1872   September 9,   Piqua, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland.   1873   September 9,   Piqua, O.   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr.   1880   September 9,   Piqua, O.   R. S. Foster,	1852. September 22. Xenia, O.	S. S. Janes I. T. Mitchell.
1854   September 23, Cincinnati, O.,   L. Scott,   J. T. Mitchell.   1855   October 1,   Ribley, O.,   E. R. Amers,   J. T. Mitchell.   1857   September 9,   Piqua, O.,   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1858   September 9,   Dayton, O.,   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1859   September 5,   Oxford, O.,   M. Simpson,   J. T. Mitchell.   1861   September 4,   Springfield, O.,   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1862   September 3,   Cincinnati, O.,   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1863   September 4,   Springfield, O.,   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1864   September 3,   Cincinnati, O.,   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1865   September 3,   Cincinnati, O.,   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1866   August 20,   Ripley, O.,   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1867   August 28,   Urbana, O.,   T. A. Morris,   W. H. Sutherland,   1868   August 20,   Hamilton, O.,   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1869   August 20,   Hamilton, O.,   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1870   August 24,   Piqua, O.,   E. S. Janes,   W. H. Sutherland,   1871   August 28,   Laugust 29,   Springfield, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1873   August 26,   Wilmington, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland,   1874   August 26,   Wilmington, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland,   1875   September 5,   September 6,   September 7,   Springfield, O.,   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland,   1876   September 5,   Neina, O.,   G. Haven,   W. H. Sutherland,   1877   September 5,   September 6,   Piqua, O.,   W. L. Harris,   David Judson Starr,   1880   September 5,   September 6,   Piqua, O.,   W. L. Harris,   David Judson Starr,   1881   September 7,   Springfield, O.,   S. M. Merrill,   Frank G. Mitchell,   1883   September 5,   Frank G. Mitchell,   September 6,   Piqua, O.,   W. L. Harris,   Pavid Judson Starr,   1884   September 5,   September 6,   Piqua, O.,   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal,   189	1853. September 28. Hillsboro, O.	E S Janes [ T Mitchell
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1855   September 9,   19qua, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1859   September 7,   Dayton, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1860   September 7,   Oxford, O.   M. Simpson,   J. T. Mitchell.   1861   September 4,   Springfield, O.   T. A. Morris,   J. T. Mitchell.   1862   September 3,   Cincinnati, O.   E. R. Ames,   J. T. Mitchell.   1863   September 8,   Greenfield, O.   M. Simpson,   J. T. Mitchell.   1864   September 8,   Greenfield, O.   M. Simpson,   W. H. Sutherland.   1865   August 29,   Ripley, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland.   1866   August 29,   Ripley, O.   E. Thomson,   W. H. Sutherland.   1867   August 26,   Hamilton, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland.   1870   August 25,   Hillsboro, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1871   August 30,   Dayton, O.   L. Scott,   W. H. Sutherland.   1872   August 27,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1873   August 27,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1874   August 27,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.   1875   September 1,   Cincinnati, O.   E. G. Andrews,   W. H. Sutherland.   1876   August 30,   Oxford, O.   G. Haven,   W. H. Sutherland.   1877   September 5,   Cincinnati, O.   E. G. Andrews,   W. H. Sutherland.   1878   September 5,   Cincinnati, O.   E. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr.   1880   September 5,   Curbana, O.   G. Haven,   David Judson Starr.   1881   September 5,   Curbana, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal.   1895   August 31,   Middletown, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal.   1896   September 2,   Piqua, O.   D. A. Goodsell.   Stanley O. Royal.   1897   September 5,   Jamestown, O.   Jas. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal.   1898   September 5,   Frank G. Mitchell.   Stanley O. Royal.   1899   September 5,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal.   1890   September 5,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal.   1891   September 5,   Springfield, O.   S. M. Merrill,	1856 October 1 Ripley O	F D Ames T T Witchell
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1864   September 8, Greenfield, O.,   M. Simpson,   W. H. Sutherland,   1866   August 29,   Ripley, O.,   E. Thomson,   W. H. Sutherland,   1867   August 29,   Ripley, O.,   E. Thomson,   W. H. Sutherland,   1868   August 26,   Urbana, O.,   T. A. Morris,   W. H. Sutherland,   1869   August 26,   Hamilton, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1870   August 24,   Piqua, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1871   August 25,   Hillsboro, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1872   August 27,   Springfield, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1873   August 27,   Springfield, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1874   August 27,   Springfield, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1875   September 1,   Cincinnati, O.,   E. G. Andrews,   W. H. Sutherland,   1876   August 30,   Oxford, O.,   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland,   1876   September 5,   September 5,   September 5,   September 7,   Springfield, O.,   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland,   W. H. Su		T. A. Morris, J. T. Mitchell.
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1866   August 29,   Ripley, O.,   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1867   August 28,   Urbana, O.,   T. A. Morris,   W. H. Sutherland,   1868   August 26,   Hamilton, O.,   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1870   August 25,   Hillsboro, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1871   August 26,   Piqua, O.,   E. S. Janes,   W. H. Sutherland,   1872   August 28,   Eaton, O.,   L. Scott,   W. H. Sutherland,   1872   August 28,   Eaton, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1873   August 27,   Springfield, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1874   August 26,   Wilmington, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1875   September 1,   Cincinnati, O.,   E. G. Andrews,   W. H. Sutherland,   1876   August 30,   Oxford, O.,   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland,   1877   September 5,   Nenia, O.,   W. L. Harris,   David Judson Starr,   1880   September 3,   Urbana, O.,   W. L. Harris,   David Judson Starr,   1881   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1882   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1883   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1884   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1885   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1886   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1886   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1886   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1886   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,   R. S. Foster,   David Judson Starr,   1887   August 31,   Middletown, O.,   R. S. Foster,   Stanley O. Royal,   1892   August 31,   Middletown, O.,   R. S. Foster,   Stanley O. Royal,   1893   August 30,   Troy, O.,   R. S. Foster,   Stanley O. Royal,   1894   September 5,   Wilmington, O.,   R. S. Foster,   Stanley O. Royal,   1894   August 30,   St. Paul, Dayton, O.,   L. F. Hurst.   Stanley O. Royal,   1896   September 5,   Wilmington, O.,   L. F. Hurst.   Stanley O. Roy	1864. September 8, Greenfield, O.,	M. Simpson, W. H. Sutherland.
1806   August 28,   Crbana, O.   E. Thomson,   W. H. Sutherland,   1869   August 26,   Hamilton, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1869   August 25,   Hillsboro, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1870   August 24,   Piqua, O.   E. S. Janes,   W. H. Sutherland,   1871   August 30,   Dayton, O.   L. Scott,   W. H. Sutherland,   1872   August 28,   Eaton, O.   L. W. Wiley,   W. H. Sutherland,   1873   August 27,   Springfield, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1874   August 27,   Springfield, O.   R. S. Foster,   W. H. Sutherland,   1875   September 1,   Cincinnati, O.   E. G. Andrews,   W. H. Sutherland,   1876   August 30,   Oxford, O.   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland,   1877   September 5,   Piqua, O.   G. Haven,   W. H. Sutherland,   W. H. Sutherland,   1876   September 4,   Piqua, O.   G. Haven,   W. H. Sutherland,   W. H. Sutherla	1805. August 30, Troy, O.,	D. W. Clark, W. H. Sutherland.
1805   August 26,	1800 . August 29, Ripley, O.,	E. Thomson, W. H. Sutherland.
Hamilton, O.   D. W. Clark,   W. H. Sutherland,   1870   August 25,   Hillsboro, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1871   August 30,   Dayton, O.   L. Scott,   W. H. Sutherland,   1873   August 27,   Eaton, O.   L. W. Wiley,   W. H. Sutherland,   1874   August 26,   Eaton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1874   August 26,   Eaton, O.   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland,   1875   September 1,   1876   August 30,   September 5,   September 5,   September 4,   Piqua, O.   W. H. Sutherland,   W. L. Harris,   David   W. H. Sutherland,   W. H. Sutherland,   W. H. Sutherland,	1867. August 28, Urbana, O.,	T. A. Morris, W. H. Sutherland.
1859   August 25,   Hillsboro, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.	1868. August 26, Hamilton, O	D. W. Clark W. H. Sutherland.
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1873   August 27,   Springfield, O.,   E. R. Ames,   W. H. Sutherland.		I. W Wiley W H Sutherland
September 1,   Cincinnati, O.,   Cincinnati, O		E R Ames W H Sutherland
1875	1874 August 26 Wilmington O	D C Foctor W II Sutherland
1876   August 30,   Oxford, O.,   S. M. Merrill,   W. H. Sutherland.	1875 September I Cincinnati O	F C Andrews W H Sutherland
1877 September 5,	1876 August 20 Oxford O	C. M. Moneill W. H. Sutherland.
1878 September 4, Piqua, O., W. L. Harris, David Judson Starr. 1879 September 3, Urbana, O., Jesse T. Peck, David Judson Starr. 1881 September 7, Springfield, O., Isaac W. Wiley, David Judson Starr. 1882 September 6, David Judson Starr. 1882 September 6, David Judson Starr. 1883 September 5, David Judson Starr. 1884 September 5, Hamilton, O., R. S. Foster, David Judson Starr. 1884 September 3, Walnut, O., R. S. Foster, David Judson Starr. 1884 Se		S. M. Merrin, W. H. Sutherland.
1870 . September 3, . Urbana, O.,		G. Haven, W. H. Sutherland.
1880   September 7, Springfield, O., September 6, Springfield, O., T. Bowman, David Judson Starr, 1882   September 6, Dayton, O., T. Bowman, David Judson Starr, 1883   September 5, Hamilton, O., September 5, Hillsboro, O., September 3, Malnut Hills, Cin'ti, O. Hillsboro, O., September 5, Jamestown, O., H. W. L. Harris, Frank G. Mitchell. September 5, Jamestown, O., H. W. Warren, Stanley O. Royal. September 4, Nenia, O., S. M. Merrill, Stanley O. Royal. September 5, Wilmington, O., S. M. Merrill, Stanley O. Royal. September 5, Wilmington, O., D. A. Goodsell. Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Piqua, O., D. A. Goodsell. Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Piqua, O., S. M. Merrill, Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Piqua, O., D. A. Goodsell. Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Piqua, O., September 3, Wilmington, O., John H. Vincent, Stanley O. Royal. September 5, Grace, Dayton, O., Jas. N. FitzGerald, Stanley O. Royal. Stanley O. Royal. September 3. Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O. J. M. Walden. Stanley O. Royal. Stanley		W. L. Harris, David Judson Starr.
1881   September 7,   Springfield, O.,   Isaac W. Wiley,   David Judson Starr.	18/9. September 3, . [Urbana, O.,	M. Simpson, David Judson Starr.
1882   September 6, Dayton, O., September 5, Hamilton, O., September 3, Hillsboro, O., September 3, Hillsboro, O., September 3, Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O. September 2, Piqua, O., Hamilton, O., September 3, Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O. September 2, Piqua, O., Hamilton, O., September 3, Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O. September 2, Piqua, O., Hamilton, O., September 5, Jamestown, O., Hamilton, O., September 5, Jamestown, O., Hamilton, O., September 4, Nenia, O., September 5, Jamestown, O., Hamilton, O., September 2, Urbana, O., September 2, Urbana, O., R. S. Foster, Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Urbana, O., R. S. M. Merrill, Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Wilmington, O., May N. Ninde, Stanley O. Royal. September 5, Wilmington, O., D. A. Goodsell. Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Piqua, O., D. A. Goodsell. Stanley O. Royal. September 2, Piqua, O., September 3, Walnut Hills, O., John H. Vincent, Stanley O. Royal. September 5, Springfield, O., John H. Vincent, Stanley O. Royal. September 5, Grace, Dayton, O., Jas. N. FitzGerald, Stanley O. Royal. Stanley O.		Jesse T. Peck, David Judson Starr.
1883   September 5,   Hamilton, O.,		Isaac W. Wiley, David Judson Starr.
1893		T. Bowman, David Judson Starr.
September 3,   Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Frank G. Mitchell.	1883. September 5, . Hamilton, O.,	R. S. Foster, David Judson Starr.
1885   September 2,   Piqua, O.	1884. September 3, . Hillsboro, O.,	S. M. Merrill, Frank G. Mitchell.
1886   September 2,   Piqua, O.,   J. M. Walden,   Frank G. Mitchell.	1885. September 3, . Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O.	W. L. Harris, Frank G. Mitchell.
August 31,   Mechanicsburg, O.   F. G. Andrews,   Stanley O. Royal.	1886. September 2, Piqua, O.,	J. M. Walden, Frank G. Mitchell.
1885   September 4,   Xenia, O.   S. M. Merrill,   Stanley O. Royal.	1887. August 31, Mechanicsburg, O.,	E. G. Andrews, Stanley O. Royal.
1899	1888. September 5, Jamestown, O.	H. W. Warren, Stanley O. Royal.
1890   August 27,	1889. September 4. Xenia, O	S. M. Merrill, Stanley O. Royal.
1891   September 2,   Urbana, O.	1890 . August 27 Greenville, O	I. W. Joyce Stanley O. Royal.
1892   August 31,   Middletown, O.,   W. X. Ninde,   Stanley O. Royal.	1891. September 2. Urbana, O.	R. S. Foster Stanley O. Royal.
1894   September 5,   Wilmington, O.,   J. F. Hurst   Stanley O. Royal.		W. X. Ninde Stanley O. Royal
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1895 · August 28, · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
1897 · September 1, · Springheld, O., · · · · · W. F. Mallaheu, · · Stanley O. Royal. 1898 · August 31, · · Xenia, O., · · · · · · John H. Vincent, · · Stanley O. Royal. 1899 · August 30, · · St. Paul, Dayton, O., · · E. G. Andrews, · · Stanley O. Royal. 1900 · August 29, · · Hillsboro, O., · · · · · · Hw. Warren, · · Stanley O. Royal. 1901 · September 5, · Grace, Dayton, O., · · · · Jas. N. FitzGerald, 1902 · September 3. · Walnut Hills. Cin'ti, O. I. M. Walden, · · · Stanley O. Royal.	1805. August 28 Hamilton O	D. A. Goodsell Stanley O. Royal.
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1898 . August 31,	1807 September 1 Springfield O	W E Mollolieu Stanley O. Royal.
1899   August 30, St. Paul, Dayton, O., . E. G. Andrews, Stanley O. Royal, 1900   August 29, Hillsboro, O., Stanley O. Royal, 1901   September 5, . Grace, Dayton, O., Jas. N. FitzGerald, Stanley O. Royal, 1902   September 3, Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O. I. M. Walden, Stanley O. Royal,	1808 August at Youis O	Tohn H. Vincent Stanley O. Royal.
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- Dale. Reserves: Thomas Brown, John C. Brooke.

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# In Memoriam.

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## DECEASED BISHOPS.

NAME.	Born.	ENT'D MINISTRY.		Con cra Sigh	REMARKS.	
21 20 20 20		Conference.	Y'r.	ted.		
Thomas Coke	Sept. 9, 1747	Brit. Wes.	1778	1784	Died at sea, May 3, 1814.	
rancis Asbury	Aug. 20, 1745	Brit. Wes.	1766	1784	Died in Virginia, March 31, 1816.	
Richard Whatcoat	Feb. 23, 1735	Brit. Wes.	1769	1800	Died in Delaware, July 5, 1806.	
William McKendree	July 5, 1757	M. E. Ch.	1788	1808	Died in Tennessee, March 5, 1835.	
Enoch George	Mar. 10, 1768	M. E. Ch.	1790	1816	Died in Virginia, August 23, 1828.	
Robert R. Roberts	Ang. 2, 1778	Baltimore.	1802	1816	Died in Indiana, March 28, 1843.	
Joshua Soule	Ang. 1, 1781	New York.	1799	1824	EnteredM. E.Ch. So.,'46, died Mar.6,'6	
Elijah Hedding	Jan. 7, 1780	New Eng.	1801	1824	Died in Poughkeepsie, April 9, 1852.	
lames Osgood Andrew	May 3, 1791	S. Carol'a	1813	1832	Bish. M. E. Ch. So., '46; died Mar. 1,' Died in Maryland, December 16, 1835.	
John Emory	April 11, 1789	Phila	1810	1832	Died in Maryland, December 16, 1835.	
Beverly Waugh	Det. 25, 1789	Baltimore.	1809	1836	Died in Maryland, February 9, 1858.	
Thomas A. Morris	April 28, 1794	Ulii0	1816	1836	Died in Springfield, O., Sept. 2, 1874,	
Leonidas L. Hamline					Resig'd 1852; died in Iowa, Mar. 22, '6	
Edmund Storer James	A pril 27, 1807	Phila	1830	1844	Died in New York, Sept. 18, 1876.	
Levi Scott					Died in Odessa, July 13, 1882.	
Matthew Simpson	June 21, 1811	Pittsburg -	1554	1852	Died in Philadelphia, June 18, 1884.	
Osmon C. Baker	Marr 90, 1812	N. Hamp.	1839	1852	Died in Concord, N. H., Dec. 20, 1871.	
Edward R. Ames	May 20, 1800	I ibonia	1000	1852 1858	Died in Baltimore, April 25, 1879.	
Francis Burns	Dec. 5, 1809	Now Vols	1000	1858	Died in Baltimore, April 18, 1863.	
Davis Wasgatt Clark	Oct 19 1812	Obio	1040	1864	Died in Cincinnati, May 23, 1871.	
Edward Thomson,	Sont 0 1010	Enio	1241	1864	Died in Wheeling, W. Va., Mar. 22, '7	
Calvin Kingsley	Cont 0 1012	I iborio	1000		Died in Beyroot, Syria, April 6, 1870. Died in Africa, January 30, 1875.	
John W. Roberts William L. Harris	Nov. 4 1817	Michigan	1527	1872	Died in New York, Sept. 2, 1887.	
Isaac W. Wiley	Mon 90 1225	Divile	1007	1872	Died in Foochow, China, Nov. 22, 1884	
Gilbert Haven	Sont 10 1921	N Fuglid	1251	1872	Died in Malden, Mass., Jan. 3, 1880.	
Jesse T. Peck	April 4 1811	Onoida	1822	1872	Died in Syracuse, N. Y., May 17, 1883,	
Erastus O. Haven	Nov 1 1826	New Vork	1848	1880	Died in Salem, Oreg., August 2, 1881.	
John P. Newman	Sont 1 1896	Oneide	11249	1888	Died in Saratoga, N. Y., July 6, 1899.	
William Xavier Ninde	Tuna 21 1825	Rluck R'ar	1856		Died in Detroit, Mich., Jan. 3, 1901.	
*Edwin W. Parker	Tan 21 1899	Vermont	1857	1900	Died in Naini Tal, India, June 4, 1901.	
*Will. Taylor		Baltimore			Died in California, May 19, 1902.	
Randolph S. Foster	Fab 22 1820	Ohio			Died in Newton Ctr, Mass., May 1, 'C	
John Fletcher Hurst	A 1" 100					

### \* Missionary Bishops.

# OHIO CONFERENCE.

OUR FATHERS AND BROTHERS.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF DEATH.	AGE
Lewis Hunt,	May 16, 1786, Feb. 15, 1781, Virginia, Aug. 12, 1782, Maryland, Sept. 13, 1793, Maryland, Sept. 31, 1787, Virginia, Oct. 20, 1795, Maryland, Feb. 28, 1797, Virginia, April 4, 1769, Virginia, May 5, 1758, 1792, Virginia, April 10, 1776, Maryland, Sept. 1772, New Jersey, March 21, 1751, Maryland, Feb. 24, 1793, New Hampshire, May 7, 1797, Kentucky, Jan. 28, 1798, New York, June 29, 1790, New Hampshire, Dec. 24, 1800, Ohio, July 19, 1797, Virginia, 1814, Ohio, July 22, 1803, Virginia,	July 8, 1812, Ohio, Dec. 15, 1813, Ohio, June 27, 1822, Xenia, O., Sept. 26, 1823, Middletown, O., Sept. 27, 1823, Cincinnati, O., Aug. 26, 1825, Frankfort, Ky., April 5, 1849, Jan. 15, 1827, Troy, O., Oct. 30, 1830, Rehoboth, O., July 13, 1833, N. Richmond, O Nov. 9, 1833, Marietta, O., Dec. 29, 1833, Cincinnati, O., Nov. 15, 1834, Ohio, Dec. 28, 1835, Ohio, July 1, 1835, Columbus, O., Aug. 6, 1836, Cincinnati, O., June 25, 1837, Ohio, Aug. 6, 1837, Oxford, O., June 11, 1838, Kentucky, Feb. 22, 1839, Ohio,	26 32 40 30 36

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OUR FATHERS AND BROTHERS.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF DEATH.	AGE.
Charles R. Baldwin, . Jeremiah Hill, Robert W. Finley, William B. Christie, . Isaac C. Hunter, Alfred Hance, John W Kanaga, Greenbury R. Jones, . Henry S. Farnandis, . John Collins,	March 17, 1803, Massachusetts Oct. 2, 1816, Rhode Island, June 9, 1750, Pennsylvania, . Sept. 2, 1803, Ohio, Aug. 30, 1798, Pennsylvania, . Jan. 8, 1810, New Jersey, Feb., 1819, April 7, 1784, Pennsylvania, . Dec. 1, 1793, Virginia, Nov. 1, 1769, New Jersey, Nov. 22, 1792, Pennsylvania, . June 21, 1810, Ross Co., O., . 1une 3, 1802, Perry Co., O., . Dec. 17, 1781, Pennsylvania, . Oct. 25, 1800, n'r Lex'ngt'n, Ky April 1, 1775, Pennsylvania, . March 21, 1810, Pennsylvania, . Aug. 23, 1767, Maryland,	Nov. 9, 1839, Parkersburg, Va., May 26, 1840, Ohio,	24 90 39 44 33 25 60 52 76 53 36 44 65 47 72 39 82
Martin Wolf, Alfred L. Westervelt, Asa B. Stroud, Chas. B. Warrington, Philip A. Mutchner, Joseph T. Lewis, O. P. Williams,	Aug. 5, 1780, Maine, Nov. 25, 1813, Pennsylvania, . Jan. 22, 1821, Westerville, O., April 11, 1807, Ohio, March 13, 1814, England, . Jan. 10, 1817, Ohio, April 18, 1824, Ohio, April 13, 1814, Ohio, 1823, Ohio,	July 10, 1849, Ohio, July 31, 1849, Ohio, Sept. 23, 1849, Ohio, Feb. 18, 1850, Ohio, Oct. 2, 1850, Ohio, Nov. 3, 1850, Cincinnati, O., 1850, Ohio,	69 36 29 42 36 33 26 36 28
Samuel Maddux	May 2, 1818, Ohio		33 36

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Joseph Newson, . Charles R. Lovell, George W. Harris,	1833	May 20, 1862 Sep. 25, 1862 Nov. 5, 1862	45	29 29 12	A. B. Wambaugh, Joshua Boucher, . H. M. Curry,	1818	Aug. 14, 187, Nov. 22, 187; Mar. 3, 187	76	35 55 26

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James Armstrong,	1827 July 1, 18		47	J. W. Keely,		Dec. 23, 1891		48
W. Simmons,	1820 Aug. 6, 18		54	J. F. Conrey, L. F Van Cleve, .		Jan. 26, 1892 Mar. 2, 1892		52 44
N. C. Parrish,	1865 Feb. 15, 18 1843 Apr. 28, 18		32	G. W. Kelley,		May 5, 1892		37
M. G. Purkiser,	1835 Apr. 29, 18		40	W. E. Hines,		June 22, 1892		37
E. House,	1865 May 20, 18	75 50	10	W. N. Williams, .		Oct. 8, 1892		37
J. C. Bontecou,	1827 Oct. 14, 18		48	J. P. Bishop,		Nov. 20, 1892		12
N. Callender,	1825 Feb. 6, 18		51	A. U. Beall, D. H. Sargent,		May 19, 1894 Aug. 15, 1894		42 48
P. A. Ogden,	1825 Aug. 23, 18 1841 Sep. 23, 18		35	T. S. Cowden,		Jan. 17, 1895		47
T. A. G. Phillips,	1833 Feb. 28, 18		44	Henry Stokes,		Jan. 23, 1895		43
Win. H. Lawder, .	1833 Apr. 20, 18		44	Benj. Glascock,	1849	May 30, 1895	72	46
Wm. I. Ellsworth,	1834 May 10, 18	77 70	43	W. B. Jackson,		May 16, 1895		48
Elijah H. Field, .	1824 Oct. 1, 18		54	W. R. Webster, . I. C. Page,		Sep. 25, 1895 Jan. 5, 1896		53
Alex. Meharry, . Jos. A. Reeder,	1841 Nov. 18, 18 1829 Nov. 24, 18		37 49	Jas. Murray,		Mar. 6, 1896	58	30
John C. Deem,	1854 Jan. 21, 18		25	Mighill Dustin, .		Mar. 10, 1896		60
J. McD. Mathews,	1831 Aug. 5, 18 1815 Sep. 13, 18	79 75		Simon McChesney		June 20, 1896		38
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# Memorial Sermon.

### BY REV. J. S. PUMPHREY.

"I Would Pot Live Alway."

There is a striking view of the philosophy of life which is suggested by those very familiar words of the patriarch Job, when, in the midst of his trial, he exclaimed, "I would not live alway;" and it is the more forcible when we consider the breadth and variety of his personal experience. He knew what it was to be a very prince of affluence among men. He lived on unusually intimate terms with the Almighty, hence was a very prince of piety as well as a prince in "earthly possessions." He knew the happiness of prosperity and piety, and the joys and pleasures of domestic life. Then he passed down, down into the very depths of adversity, poverty, and suffering from loathsome disease. To this was added the torment of criticism and misinterpretation of his character and condition. While yet under the cloud of his trial, when the face of his God was hidden from him, and while he yet retained his faith and hope, saying (Job xix, 25), "I know my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though, after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God," he exclaims, "I would not live alway!" This view of life suggests that a reasonable or a limited length of life in this world is desirable; the saying, "I would not live alway," implying, I would live for a while. Human life in this world is a precious, God-bestowed gift, with which man, created in the image of God, has been endowed.

I. Man's physical life puts him into relation with this material world, giving him a knowledge of its nature, its beauties, its grandeur,

and its adaptation to his comfort and enjoyment.

2. Then, life in this world affords abundant means and opportunities for the development of man's intellectual powers. Great and deep are the facts and mysteries of the world of matter, and equally great and grand are the achievements of the world of mind. By the knowledge of material things, their properties relations, and uses, we arrive at the conception of the immaterial, the moral, and the spiritual. Illustration: We teach our children abstract ideas by the use of natural objects, getting the idea of the unseen by the seen. Thus God is using our life in this world, with all its varied experience, for the culture of our intellectual faculties, in order to the higher education in the things that are unseen and yet spiritual and eternal. The capability of the mind for acquiring knowledge, its power of memory, reason, reflection, judgment, and hope, invest life with value, and make life desirable and enjoyable to beings that are yet to live forever.

3. Then here in this state of being, the human spirit may know the truth, righteousness, and God. There is life's blessedness, and happiness in knowing, of being self-conscious of some things, especially those things that are spiritual and eternal. The great apostle believed that we might "know the love of Christ that passeth knowledge." Life here and the life beyond are something more than mere existence. Hence, says

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the disciple, looking into the marvelous face of his Lord, "This is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." Knowing Jesus Christ, the soul may be filled with divine and holy emotions, and great and heavenly joys may sweep over it and through it, like any strain of grand music may sweep across the strings of a lyre. Here a human life may, by the love of God, become the very embodiment of all nobleness, patience, faith, hope, gentleness. purity, and Christliness—graces, the capacity for which has not been given to any other intelligences in this world, so far as we know.

John Ruskin says: "There are three material things, not only useful, but essential to life. No one knows how to live till he has got them. These are pure air, water, and earth. There are three immaterial things, not only useful, but essential to life. No one knows how to live till he has got them also; these are admiration, hope, and love."

But the apostle has given a better trinity of essentials than these, namely, "Faith, hope, and love, these three; and the greatest of these is

love;" and these make life in this world glorious.

4. Then, the endearments and joys of the family and social life, which form so important a part in human society, are to be included in this invoice of the blessings of this our earthly sphere. How inexpressibly tender and intense and holy are the ties of affection that bind human hearts and lives together in this world! When I have seen grown-up sons and daughters gather about the casket of a beloved mother, and hear their tributes of praise and love to that mother, I have said, It is no longer a question of hearts that know such a love and such Christian hopes, whether life here is worth living; the blessedness of such

holy affections and Christian hope, especially when sanctified by the pure religion of Jesus Christ, is worth a thousand worlds like this.

5. The present life is desirable as a period of preparation, by experience and labor, for the immortality of heaven. The primary education of a child is of value as a qualification for the next higher grade. The studies in the higher preparatory department are essential to a preparation for the college course, and the completed college course is invaluable as an equipment for the high and responsible positions of society. So the knowledge gained here, by the work and Word of God and by the service of the Lord Jesus Christ, is a preparation for the graduation into the higher realm of the spiritual and immortal. Doubtless the lives of our departed brethren are richer, stronger, and more glorious in the heavenly world now by reason of the experiences gained and the work performed in behalf of the truth and glory of Christ in their ministry here below. The prophet declared that "they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." I think they may look back to their earthly life with joy at the triumphs which they had won by the grace of God, by which they themselves were brought into the kingdom of God, and by which many sinners were converted and saved with an everlasting salvation.

But to live alway in this world, in its present order and with its earthly limitations and characteristics, is not desirable. There is surely a real philosophy underlying this statement of the patriarch, "I would

not live alway.

For this world-life is too full of burdensome care, trouble. (1) affliction, and sorrow not to give to the soul a longing for something better, brighter, higher, and more enduring than is possible to be attained in this life. True, these experiences in this earthly sphere are perhaps not an unmixed evil, as they may serve to develop goodness and strength of character that may be abiding as eternity; but it is a relief that the time is coming when they shall have an end in human experience. Wear, decay, and give out is the history of life in this world; but life beyond

"the valley of the shadow," life on the glory side of death, life on the delectable mountains of immortality, life in the "city which hath foundations whose maker and builder is God," shall have no sorrow; for "there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away." Even the great apostle was inspired with holy rapture at the thought of this contrast between this life of sorrow and that world of glory, saying, "For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us." It will be glorious to behold the glory of our glorified Christ. Yet "it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but when he shall appear we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is." It will take the "transfiguring glory of Christ revealed

in us to lift us where we can see him as he is."

(2) Then, life here is endangered by trial and temptation to evil. The history of this world is the history of one long, mighty conflict between the good and the evil, between the right and the wrong; and men must determine whether they will ally themselves with the right or the wrong. How many fail to take the right course and live the right life, and are "without God and without hope in the world!" But if we have learned to live aright, subduing the animal and developing the human and the divine, then, in that state of being beyond, there will be no temptation to evil; there will be permanency and fixedness of character in holiness and happiness forever, "For there, saith the Holy Spirit, there shall be no curse any more," and the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be therein; "and there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination or maketh a lie." There will be no more trial there when God says to his child, "Come, thou, enter into the joy of thy Lord." There is no more trial after that.

> "In heaven above, Where all is love, There'll be no trial there."

(3) We have mixed associations here. There is necessarily a very close connection between the good and the bad, between the vile and the virtuous. "The tares and the wheat grow together," and sometimes it looks as though the tares would take the field. We are often cursed by our environments, hindered and made miserable by our unavoidable surroundings; but, blessed be God, the environments of the saints in heaven will be divine, the company pure, the associations will be holy: "For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of water." Even the Apostle Paul felt it would be better to be there than here. He said, "For to me to live is Christ," and that meant salvation, peace, joy, and usefulness in Christ; but he added, "to be with Christ is far better."

> "Forever with the Lord, Amen, so let it be; Life from the dead is in that word, Till immortality."

(4) Life in this world, with all its blessings, with all its joys, with all its treasures, with all its friends dearer to our hearts than life itself, is still a place or state of tears, of sorrow, and of heartaches and anguish unutterable; but over there, on the glory side of death, "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." When God receives his child, and wipes away the tears with his own loving hand, they will never come again. The loving mother has taken her sobbing, sorrowing child in her arms, pressing him to her breast, and smoothing his brow, and brushing away his tears, and singing some lullaby of love; the smiles came back to her face and joy to the heart. But in this world of change and disappointment, those tears have come back again and again; but when our Father God wipes the tears from the face of his child in heaven, they will never

return; the joy that shall chase them away shall be forever.

(5) The history of man in this life has been a history of "sin and suffering," of the fall and redemption, of human transgression and divine penalty. A certain poet speaks very forcibly of

"The coils
Of those twin serpents—sin and suffering."

For sorrow, pain, and suffering make a very large part of the experience of human life. While the atonement is active to the soul, it is suspended as to the body for the present, so that the words of the psalmist are still true, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous." But we are assured that "our Father's house, where the many mansions be," is a place of pureness, of rest, of joy, and of song of recognition of one another, and deliverance

from all unhappiness.

Dr. Joseph Parker has said, "If we still think of heaven as a place of harps and harping and songs, we are quite right, the meaning being that all true life blossoms up into song; we could not complete any pillar of logic or of fact without putting upon the top of it the lily-work of music and gladness and victory. The true heaven is one of glorified earth—glorified facts as we know them; a heaven of variety and position, locality and service. Then the "redeemed of the Lord shall have come up out of tribulation, having washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before his throne and serve him day and night in his temple, and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat; for the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters." And those fountains of waters are surely ever-flowing streams of life, of joy, of love, and of eternal activities. Lowell, in his poem to the memory of Dr. Channing, says:

"Thou art not idle in thy higher sphere;
Thy spirit bends itself to loving tasks,
And strength to perfect what it dreamed of here
Is all the crown of glory that it asks;
For sure in heaven's wide chambers there is room
For love and pity and for helpful deeds,
Else were our summons thither but a doom
To life more vain than this in clayy weeds."

In that higher sphere our brethren have entered into immortal life and eternal activities. One has said:

"The sculptor, with his Psyche's wings half hewn, May close his eyes in weariness, and wake To meet the white, cold clay of his ideal Flushed into bleating life and singing down The ways of Paradise; the husbandman May leave the golden fruitage of his groves Ungarnered, and upon the tree of life Will find a richer harvest waiting him."

The fruit of that sermon which our Brother Runyan was just beginning to preach when the Father said, "It is enough," he will reap and rejoice in the kingdom of God.

We shall never forget a scene witnessed on the Conference floor when Rev. Henry Middleton arose to speak in reference to his taking a superannuate relation to the Conference. He told with deep feeling of his success, and said that there five members of the Conference that were brought to Christ through his ministry. While he was speaking the five men arose from different parts of the house, and went and took him by the hand. I have thought that as Drs. Loyd, Bowers, and Runyan have been greeted in heaven by the bloodwashed souls saved through their ministry, a holy joy has thrilled their souls, which will not fade through all eternity.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which, according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation." Blessed be God for the hope of living alway in the immortal, glorified state!

Dr. John Parsons, of Salem, Oregon, speaking of the ocean of God's love, says: "We embark on this ocean with the Gospel for a ship, with Christ for a Pilot, and with the Holy Spirit for a breeze, and when the voyage is over, we shall enter the river of life and go ashore in the city of God." And it is then we shall join our deceased brethren whose memories we cherish to-day. The best of all is that, in that home of the immortal, the saved of earth shall "behold" and share in the glory of the Lord Christ forever.

In a recent number of the *Christian Advocate* is quoted a passage from the memoir of Henry Acland: "Once in early days he had talked with Faraday on the probable employments of a future life, and the older man had broken an interval of silence with the triumphant outburst, 'That which I know best and anticipate most is that I shall go to be with Christ.' That's enough. Hallelujah! Amen."

# Memoirs.

### REV. ADAM BOWERS, D. D.

REV. ADAM BOWERS was born July 24, 1841, on a farm in Champaign County, near Urbana. The part of the country over which he, as a boy, roamed and drank in the beauties of nature was known as "Pretty Prairie." We do not know how much the country life entered into the boy, but somewhere, somehow, he had a pure and chaste imagination and a style early in his ministry as ornate as an artist's home and as florid as a garden embossed with flowers. We see the basis of his religion. His parents were pioneer Methodists in the days of the camp-meeting, when revivals ran high, and the fires of devotion lit up life as prairie fires the night. Dr. Bowers was reared in a house where religion found expression, not only in the morning prayer around the family altar, but also in the class-meeting. His father was a licensed exhorter. Laymen preached in those days. May heaven send us soon another generation of laymen who can preach!—for from these men came such ministers as Dr. Bowers. He attended the country schools in his district, and soon afterward started to school in an academy under the supervision of the United Presbyterians in Urbana.

During his residence in Urbana he united with the Second Methodist Church. On June 28, 1862, he was licensed to preach, as a local preacher, in the Quarterly Conference presided over by Rev. David Warnock, who

was Presiding Elder of the Urbana District.

Some influence led him to a college in Springfield. During a revival in one of the Churches he became deeply convicted of sin, and, after some hard battles with self in a quiet, secluded place, he gave his heart to God. That surrender, that vow was never repealed or broken. Henceforth God

would have a patient, determined, self-surrendered man.

We are sorry that we have no biographical data that give us vivid pictures of those formative years' of young manhood, but the finished life is sufficient to convince us that in school he must have studied hard and thought seriously and intensely on life and its grave problems. He laid the foundation deep, and, though his early life, like the foundation of a house, is buried in obscurity, the superstructure is in view, and it is complete and beautiful. In 1865, Dr. Bowers took three important steps. He was then twenty-four years old. Young, now to us, to enter upon life's work, but his mind matured rapidly, and the times were demanding men. In this year he entered the itinerant ministry of the Methodist Church, joined the Cincinnati Conference on trial, and was ordained deacon. Thus he found his orbit, and henceforth he can be seen on his undeviating course in the path of God.

In 1867 he was received in full connection with the Conference, and was also received into the empire of a woman's love and devotion, which was to last in its noble rule for thirty-five years. This woman, who guarded and cared for and inspired his life, was Miss Virginia E. Reiley. They were married June 11th, of this same year 1867. After their marriage the Conference sent Dr. Bowers to labor on the Port Union Circuit. They remained but one year here, and were sent on to old Mears Chapel. In 1869, Dr. Bowers was ordained elder, and sent to Winton Place, Cincinnati

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District. Next year we find him at Dayton in old Sears Street Church, now St. Paul's. During the year of 1872-75, Dr. Bowers was pastor of East Pearl Street, Cincinnati; then on to Asbury. At both of these places God blessed his ministry with a great revival.

In 1878-81 we find him at Madisonville, where he had another revival;

then on to Lockland-Wyoming, in 1881-83.

In the fall of 1883, Dr. Bowers was sent to Greene Street, Piqua, and here he had a great revival. Many workers in the Church to-day testify to the effectiveness of his ministry. He remained with us until 1886, when he was appointed Presiding Elder of the Dayton District, where he served his term of six years. He gave his life to God, spent his strength unstintedly for God, broke the alabaster box of life's energy, and called it no waste.

In the fall of 1892 he was sent to Lockland, but he was through. He made one determined effort to call back his vital life to support him in his work; but the call met no response. The sacrifice was consumed. God was

satisfied.

Dr. Bowers came to Piqua to live among us as our help and our care. Loving hands built him a home, and love beautified it, and love administered to this servant of God until his sacred dust was laid beside his sleeping wife. Hands of love will keep the flowers fresh and the grass green till the evening hour and after.

Such is the brief sketch of the life of a man whose fullness was spent before I knew him, but whom I learned to love for what he had been and

what he was.

About Dr. Bowers as a man and a preacher I would love to say much. But it is all said, and the record must be read in the thousands of lives he touched to make better. I can give but an outline of the man's personality and his characteristics. In the first place, the secret of Dr. Bowers's power as a preacher lay in the man himself and his talents. He was born with a steady brain. Nature touched him with her hand, and aroused in him a sense of the beautiful. He was also gifted with a chaste and heightened imagination. The sense of the beautiful and a keen, lively imagination explains the poetic element in his early preaching and his ornate style. Those who heard him in his early ministry say he roamed the world and took his illustrations from forest, stream, mountains, fields, and much he learned from the heart of man. Nature and man he made tribute to his sermonic power.

In the second place, Dr. Bowers was a man of God. He brought all he had to God, and God used all he brought. Self-surrender to the reasonable call of his Master explains all the rest. He, all through his ministry, was a very careful student. His sermons were products of deep and prolonged thought. They were his best. Why not? He was God's man. He was God's prophet, God's messenger. One to speak as God wants must think. Dr. Bowers was a hater of cant, shams, the false in life. So was Christ. To the people who had reduced religion to ceremony and form, Dr. Bowers brought his keenest shaft, and one heard the twang of his bow as his arrow, tipped with the flame of his passion, went home. His preaching covered a wide range. God gave his message to a versatile man.

In life and in his preaching he was a fearless, uncompromising man. He saw no middle ground. A thing was right, or it was wrong. He had little patience with men who juggled great questions in hands of expediency.

With all these he had revival power. The secret of this was his personal knowledge of Christ. He knew, and his knowledge of Christ was so sweet and satisfying that he wanted others to know. Then there was in his preaching a note so seldom heard now. It was the appeal at the end. No wonder great revivals followed him all through the bounds of this Conference. But with all his fearlessness, courage, intensity, and conviction, he was a gentle man. The poor loved him because they felt him nestling close to their life of want. But even this quality of his life can be ex-

plained. He loved Christ, and saw in the poor the Christ to whom it became his privilege to minister.

Finally, he was an ideal husband. I touch here upon scenes too sacred for the world. But he was to her whom he loved all and more than is contained in the marriage yow.

He is gone. On the 12th of October, 1902, he went so gently, his exit was like the withdrawing of a gentle visitor. Sunday morning's sun came to wake tired eyes to worship. His had been awake. He was scanning the sky-line that edges on to the invisible world, for the coming of the Son of God. Just as the morning sun came creeping through his shuttered window, with its bars of light Christ came, and the hand that for days had lain helpless was raised to greet him. "Hail! Come, Lord, and take me," broke from dying lips. Christ had come. Together they walked back to God.

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### REV. WM. RUNYAN, D. D.

It is not a dirge, but a pean that we should be singing; for while the fathers are being gathered home, what a host of "sons in the gospel" are crowding forward, so that there is no breach in the ranks!

There are a few names which have answered to roll-call in the Cincinnati Conference which seem to take rank together and shine forth in one constellation. Call the roll: William I. Ellsworth, William L. Hypes, William I. Fee, William Runyan!—men noted for their spirituality, men who set the Lord always before their face because he was at their right hand. How strange it will seem to have the name of William Runyan called, and he not there to answer to it! But he will not answer to it because it has been called and he has answered, "Here am I, and the children whom thou hast given me!" When it was said in that home at Darby Plain, Ohio, nearly seventy years ago, November 28, 1834, "A man child is born," we know that, true to the mother instinct, when the child was christened "William Runyan," she who bore him must have said, with the mother of us all, "I have gotten a man from the Lord!" And yet even she, in her maternal hopefulness, can scarcely have dreamed that he would become the man of God into which, by grace Divine, he was destined to grow; nor, at the age of seventeen, when he heard a voice saying, "Seek ye my face," and his heart answered, "Thy face, Lord, I will seek," could he have suspected that there was such honor in store for him as that with which God crowned him when "he accounted him worthy putting him in the ministry." "It is the glory of God to conceal a matter," but when his own time comes, what glory there is in the disclosures which he makes, and which he will be making for ever and ever!

William grew up on a farm, and in the manifold toils of such a life developed the sturdy physique which was to enable him to do such yeoman service in the vineyard of the Master. After that glad day of his conversion, what meditations of God must have rejoiced his soul as he followed the plow, and what a thrill and a trill of joy must have often trembled in his voice as he joined in the songs of the reapers, all unconscious of the fact that this was but a shadow of the time when he "would come rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" from the great harvest field of humanity! We have not the data at hand, but we are sure that in "the hidden man of the heart," "that inner man" which the apostle prays may be strengthened with might, very soon after his conversion there must have been awakened that mysterious, clairvoyant impression of the Holy Spirit which made him feel and feel until that feeling matured into a conviction that he was called of God to preach the gospel. He may have been full of plans of his own for a future, brilliant with the promise of worldly honors which his san-

guine temperament assured him would come; and this call may have constrained a readjustment of all his plans; but, however the battle may have raged, it was fought and won, and William Runyan entered the ranks of the redeeming agencies of our Lord Jesus Christ; and what multitudes of souls who have already greeted him in glory, and what other multitudes who are following after, will bless God forever that he did enter and become to them the evangel which led them to the foot of the cross! The call to preach meant a call to get ready to preach, and to this end he gave himself to a course of training which would enable him to have himself and his material well in hand as he entered into the great honor and the grave

responsibility of the pastorate.

Not least in the way of preparation for his success in the ministry was his marriage, at Yellow Springs, Ohio, December 4, 1855, to Elizabeth Cox, who has proven such a noble second and inspiration to her husband during all their itinerant life. Yes, at Yellow Springs the Methodist Home for the Aged was dissolved into smoke and ashes on the same day that our revered brother "ceased at once to labor and to live," thus dissolving that union which was to be "until death do you part." But yonder smoldering ruin will not reappear; but this, ah! he who has vacated it and left it to be resolved into its native elements had learned to say, "I know that if this earthly tabernacle were dissolved I have a house of God, a building not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." No home that is builded in God is ever finally destroyed. It belongs to that class of indestructible entities comprehended in the apostle's words, "Your labor is not in vain in the Lord." When, in 1863, at Xenia, Bishop Baker put to our brother those questions which every Methodist preacher must answer who is a candidate for admission to the "traveling connection," we know with what trembling and yearning of heart he must have answered them; and when, at Troy, in 1865, Bishop Clark admitted him to full membership, we Methodists know that it could only have been after a rigid test of his powers and possibilities and a manifestation of his "gifts, grace, and usefulness." And from that time on, what a career of ever-increasing success has justified the action which admitted him! We follow him with ever-kindling enthusiasm through the successive appointments and ecclesiastical honors, which came to him: First at Laurel, '63, '64; then at Williamsburg, '65, '66; then Goshen, '67, '68; and Milford, '69, '70.

He was for many years the superintendent of the Cincinnati Campmeeting Association at Epworth Heights, and at the time of his death was president of the Board of Trustees. He gave much of his time and energy to the welfare of the association. Last summer Dr. Runyan spent several months in his cottage at Epworth, and served his district from that

point.

No wonder that, returning after so many years to the associations of these charges within the bounds of his district, he should have evinced, in his report at the last Conference, the feeling that he had gone back to his first love; that, amid the scenes of his youth, he had been again aglow with its romance, and that he concludes his admirable report by saying: "Coming back to the old fields after many years of absence has been a peculiar joy to me—a joy not unmingled with sadness; for as I went from point to point the question would not down at my bidding, 'Where are my friends of other years?' The answer came, 'Gone!' and it at first gave me a feeling of lonesomeness. Then I said, 'Gone,' but not lost; gone to join the ranks of the glorified in heaven; and thitherward I am journeying.' So my mourning was turned into joy; for I shall see them again."

And by that same token our mourning, too, is turned into joy; for

we shall see him again.

He was at Wilmington, '71-'73; Lebanon, '74; St. John's, Cincinnati, '75; Christie, '76, '77; West Cincinnati District, '79-'81; First Church, Xenia, '82-'84; Troy, '85; Central Church, Springfield, '86; Hillsboro District,

'87-'92; Jamestown, '93; Middletown, '94-'96; Cumminsville, '97-1900, where, in his last year, he had his Gethsemane of affliction which we feared would even then prove a "sorrow unto death;" but out of it all the Lord delivered him. He was, as we all know, pre-eminently an evangelist, a preacher full of the old-time unction and power, which classed him with the fathers. He was a living, consistent exemplification of experimental religion, crowned with the baptism of the Holy Ghost; and this is the holiness for which he contended and which he preached. He was not self-seeking, and because of this he was twice honored by his brethren as their representative to the General Conference, once as a delegate and once as an alternate.

His last appointment as Presiding Elder of the Milford District, 1901'02, was terminated while he was yet in the youth of his old age. At New Richmond, Ohio, in the evening of November, 1902, just after having announced his text, after having preached his last sermon in the morning of that day at Franklin, on the Laurel Circuit, where he had preached his first sermon, he sank down in the pulpit and expired, and thus entered into that "rest which remains for the people of God." He dropped the silver trumpet, which during all his ministry had "given forth no uncertain sound." Thus he "ceased at once to labor and to live." But "he being dead yet speaketh."

W. A. Robinson.

### REV: JOHN F. LOYD, D. D.

The Rev. John F. Loyd, D. D., the youngest son of John and Sophia O. Loyd, was born near Xenia, Ohio, March 31, 1825, and died near Highland, Ohio, March 12, 1903, having almost attained the advanced age of seventy-eight years.

His grandparents came to this State from Virginia in 1805, and, with some twenty other families from the old home, formed the noted Union Society and neighborhood, where so many precious souls have found Christ. His father's house was open for prayer-meetings and other religious services. No matter how pressing the work—even during the busiest times of harvest—it was laid aside for the class-meetings that were held there on Wednesday at 11 A. M., until within a few years of the death of his parents. Family worship was a part of the order of the day. To them, time spent in sacred song, the reading of God's Word, and in prayer for daily needs, was not lost. Amid such an environment it was not strange that they should experience the unspeakable pleasure of seeing their whole family of seven children early saved and members of the Church.

The subject of our sketch was converted at fourteen years of age, and lived a quiet, consistent Christian life. He was a delicate child, and was baptized when in his cradle, not expected to live, by the Rev. John Sale; but God had many years of service for him. By application to his work on the farm, and carefully improving every opportunity for education, he made what preparation he could for the work to which God so early called him. So persistent was he in his studies that, although he never attended college, he was at home in several languages, and experienced great pleasure in reading his Bible in its original tongue. He studied law, and was admitted to the bar; but his work lay in another direction; and he was licensed to preach by the Xenia Quarterly Conference, under William Raper. He entered the Ohio Conference in 1849, and upon the division of the Conference in 1852, became a member of the Cincinnati Conference, of which Conference he remained a member until his death.

In 1854 he was united in marriage with Mary E. Miller, who, until his death was indeed a companion and helper, and contributed largely

toward the success of his ministry. Six children blessed their home, one of whom, Mary DeForest Loyd, lately crowned, is well known to this Conference and to a much wider circle, through her eighteen years of

faithful service in our mission work in Mexico.

Dr. Loyd served the Church on circuits and stations in the pastorate for twenty-three years, when salaries were small, circuits large, and vacations unknown. He was happy and hopeful in his work, and conscientionsly diligent in pastoral duties. He served in city mission work for eight years, and in the army for two years,—1863 and 1864. He received his appointment as missionary to the army at the Conference of 1863, and gladly accepted it, notwithstanding the fact that no provision was made for the salary. He entered the service under the Christian Commission, and went with Howard's Division to Resaca, Ga., where he spent some time, and then returned to Louisville, Ky., where he was stationed during the remainder of his service. For eleven years his appointment was in the educational work of the Church, nine years of which time he was President of the Hillsboro Female College at Hillsboro, Ohio. In all these years he loyally accepted the authority of the Church as God's voice to him, and labored faithfully to promote all its interests.

He was especially strong as an expository preacher, and the Word

from his lips was often with great power, as might be expected from a preacher who went, as he did, from his knees to the pulpit.

He was active in the business of his Conference; but, being of a retiring disposition, was content to make suggestions, and leave to others the honor resultant from their presentation on the Conference floor. He was strong in his advocacy of temperance, and wrote many articles in its behalf, among other things a booklet entitled, "Wine as a Beverage."

Nine years ago he was given a superannuated relation; but the fire of evotion to his Master's service still burned upon the altar of his heart, and, as long as strength would permit, he sought out the poor and

ncedy, and ministered unto them.

We knew him best when his powers were waning; but, as we saw the strong man sink down in weakness, we beheld his faith in God unshaken. How it encouraged us! We shall not forget, as shall not those unto whom

he ministered during all these years.

A noble life is ended. Truthfully the inscription all men might well covet can grace the marble that marks his last resting-place, "He lived for others." What a record—forty-four years of active life in the itinerancy, and fifty-three in the Christian ministry! How many sad hearts has this faithful pastor comforted; how many penitent souls has he directed to the forgiving Savior; and how many faltering feet has he assisted up the heights of knowledge!

But his work is done; his ministry is ended; and in its cessation we are called upon to note the passing of another of our original members. He was no exception to the long list of heroes who were his contemporaries. May their spirit dominate this Conference, that we may move forward undaunted to the close of life's brief day, and thus, full of labors and good works, hail them with shouts of triumph in our Master's presence. C. C. PEALE.

### MRS. J. McD. MATHEWS.

MARY BARCLAY MATHEWS, widow of Rev. Dr. J. McD. Mathews, after several years of prostration from paralysis, died in Hillsboro, O., January 28, 1903.

She was born in Dublin, Ireland, August 4, 1827, her father being an officer in the British Army. At the age of nineteen she was married

to Alexander Harman, of Ennis Killen, Ireland, with whom she came to Cincinnati, O., in 1850, where she and her husband became members of Wesley Chapel. Here Mr. Harman died in 1857. In 1859 she was married to Dr. Mathews, then President of the Hillsboro Female College. She was the faithful associate and helper to Dr. Mathews in his education of the institution of the college.

She was the faithful associate and helper to Dr. Mathews in his educational work in the institution named, in the Jessamine Female College, Nicholasville, Ky., and in the Oakland Female Seminary, Hillsboro, O., until the death of her husband in 1879. Through twenty-four years of widowhood she exemplified the spirit of the gospel of Jesus Christ by her cheerfulness, hospitality, her constant interest in the work of the Church, in patient endurance of protracted illness, and hopeful awaiting of the appearing of her Lord.

S. O. R.

### MRS. N. McDONALD.

Mary Sellers, the seventh of nine children given to William R. and Elizabeth Sellers, was born near Lebanon, O., April 8, 1835. At the age of fourteen she gave her heart to the Lord, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at Merrittstown, O., where she remained an active member until the fall of 1858, when she became the wife of the Rev. Nimrod McDonald, who was a member of this Conference. For sixteen years she shared with him the joys and sorrows of an itinerant's life, and for fourteen more that of a superannuate relation.

Five children were given to them, three of whom still live.

For almost twenty years she was a widow of very limited means, and frequently engaged in manual toil in order to secure means of subsistence. Her last years were years of great suffering, and as the end drew near, she seemed to be gradually ripening for the heavenly garner, and when, on February II, 1903, at the age of sixty-seven years, ten months, and three days, she fell asleep, it was in the full assurance of faith and in the consciousness of the fact that

"Death's but a path that must be trod, If man would ever pass to God."

#### MRS. H. A. M. HENDERSON.

Mrs. Susan Watkins Henderson was born in Marengo County, Ala., November 20, 1840, and, after prolonged illness and severe suffering, died at her home in Hartwell, O., June 30, 1903. She was the daughter of Dr. Alfred G. Vaughan, an eminent physician and wealthy planter, and Mary Walton Vaughan, a granddaughter of General George Walton, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and a soldier of the Revolution. Her paternal great grandfather was a captain of the Virginia line in the struggle for independence. She was by blood and marriage related to many of the historical people of the South, among them the Goodes, Watkins, Floyds, Prestons, Clays, and Iverson, Pickett, and Stuart, the great soldiers. Her father was educated at the University of Pennsylvania, the Jefferson Medical College, and the University of Medicine and Surgery, Paris, France. She had in possession at the time of her death the oldest letter in existence of Henry Clay, written when he was a clerk in the chancery court office, Richmond, Va.; also the commission of her great-grandfather in the Army of the American Revolution. She was educated at Centenary Institute, Summerfield, Ala.

She was married to Rev. Howard Henderson, D. D., LL. D., February 5, 1861, and for forty-two years shared the fortunes of her husband, and in every situation proved herself a helpmeet, indeed, after the type of Solomon's virtuous woman. She won the admiring love of all who knew her. As a preacher's wife, with its toils and trials, she measured up to the highest standard. The poor, the afflicted, the aged were her special charge. She was a Christian, and in all the relations of life adorned the gospel. She wore the "ornament of a meek and quiet spirit." Death approached the citadel of life by parallels, and by slow degrees her constitution was sapped. Having wandered so long as an itinerant's wife, she had at length moved into her pretty home, which she named "Heartease," to enjoy a little "light at the eventide," ere night shut the scene; but it was only permitted her to enjoy its comforts through a year of suffering, and then she had to surrender it for her heavenly mansion. She longed to live to smooth the asperities from the shortening path of her husband, and to be a benison to her devoted children; yet she was grateful to God for having spared her so long, and met death without alarm. At the last God's finger gently unloosed the silver cord, and she was suddenly surprised into glory.

She was the mother of seven children, four of whom, with her devoted husband, survive her to praise her virtues and bless her memory.

Religious exercises were conducted at her home, participated in by the Revs. Frank G. Mitchell, Gervaise Roughton, and Edmund Burdsall; and, also, in the mortuary chapel at Frankfort, Ky., by the Rev. C. J. Nugent, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Rev. Dr. McBlainey, of the Presbyterian Church. She was buried in the beautiful State cemetery which crowns the heights that overlook the picturesque city of Frankfort, Ky. Her grave, though far away from the home of her heart, will be kept green by the hands of loving friends who knew her during her twelve years' residence in Kentucky's capital city.

# ABSTRACT OF MINUTES OF THE LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

CINCINNATI, September 4, 1903.

THE Lay Electoral Conference of the Cincinnati Annual Conference convened at ten o'clock A. M., on Friday, September 4th, in St. Paul Church, Cincinnati. The Conference was called to order by William E. Brooks, of St. Paul Methodist Episcopal Church. On motion of Mr. E. W. Mullikin, Judge J. S. Kimbrough, of Wilmington, was elected Chairman. On motion of several delegates, W. E. Brooks was elected Secretary.

After singing the doxology, Mr. James M. DeCamp led in prayer. The Secretary made a statement concerning the certificates of election which he had received, and from which he had made up a roll of delegates. On motion, a Committee on Credentials was appointed, with E. T. Layman, W. E. Shaw, and L. M. Garfield as the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, the Committee on Credentials was requested to adopt the names of the delegates on the Secretary's list, with such changes as they found necessary.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following were found to be present, one hundred and twenty-two in all:

CINCINNATI DISTRICT.—Asbury, George W. Harper; Avondale, D. D. Woodmansee; Christie, James M. Robinson; Clifton, E. W. Mullikin; Columbia, Charles Crapsey; Delta Avenue, George W. Hazelwood; East Pearl Street, Edward Barton; Fairmount, Dr. Charles Gunley; First Church, Northside, William Gosling; Linwood and Madison Avenue, R. C. Bliss; McKendree, John Stephens; Mt. Auburn, James M. DeCamp; Mt. Lookout, E. D. Bevitt; Price Hill, J. C. Harper; Riverside and Camp Washington, Dr. W. E. Shaw; St. Paul, R. Dymond; Trinity, A. O. Evans; Walnut Hills, Charles Mayer; Wesley Chapel, W. G. Roberts; Westwood, James N. Gamble; York Street, R. H. Halley; Bond Hill and Pleasant Ridge, Charles E. Bennett; Carthage and Elmwood Place, S. W. Bell, Jr.; Cleves and Addyston, Ezra Guard; Delhi, Professor J. O. Falkinburg; Glendale, Miss Lulu Moore; Groesbeck, Charles B. Bosserman; Hartwell, J. D. Sayres; Lockland-Wyoming, C. A. Ault; Madisonville, J. C. Dorman; First Church, Norwood, J. M. Thomssen; Grace, Norwood, Montaville Flowers; Winton Place, E. F. Layman; Reading, Fred Schierlohm. lolm.

DAYTON DISTRICT.—Bethany, A. E. Williamson; Camden and Somer-DAYTON DISTRICT.—Bethany, A. E. Williamson; Camden and Somerville, Charles Lamm; Centerville, Perry Weller; Dayton: Grace, E. C. Harley; Homestead Avenue, E. L. Darby; Raper, P. N. Sigler; Riverdale, C. A. Lucius; St. Paul, F. D. Morrison; Trinity, David Logan; Eaton, B. D. Moses; Ebenezer and Woodward Avenue, Rose M. Ganster; Fort Jefferson, W. A. Chenoweth; Franklin, B. F. Howard; Germantown, Colonel O. G. Brown; Hamilton, John Felton; Lewisburg and West Alexandria, J. C. Rice; Middletown, Professor H. C. Minnich; Osborn, John Thompson; Oxford, John A. White; Pert Union, George W. Smith; Red Lion and Merrittstown, P. B. Snyder; Seven Mile, Dr. R. E. Burdsall; Springboro and Lytle, H. W. Truax; West Carrollton, J. B. Shannon; West Chester, W. H. Brate; West Milton, F. Wolf.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.—Belfast, Mrs. M. R. Washburn; Blanchester, Jason Moore; Bowersville, A. L. Fisher; Clarksville, Mrs. Emma Baugh; Greenfield, C. L. Nicholson; Highland, H. E. Terrell; Hillsboro, O. N.

Sams; Jamestown, J. G. Clemans; Leesburg, M. Redkey; Lynchburg, Dr. A. Garner; Martinsville, G. B. Noftsgar; Mowrystown, S. C. Kay; Mount Orab, Dr. L. H. Leonard; New Burlington, O. E. Peterson; New Jasper, J. W. Fudge; Peebles, Charles E. Ebey; Rainsboro, D. M. Barrett; Sabina, W. H. Dakin; Sinking Spring, O. C. Wickerham; Sugar Tree Ridge, J. C. Atkins; Waynesville, J. C. Spahr; Wilmington, J. S. Kimbrough; Winchester, C. W. Howard; Xenia: First Church, L. M. Garfield; Trinity, George Stokes.

MILFORD DISTRICT.—Batavia, C. B. Nichols; Bethel, W. P. Richards; Butlerville, F. G. Ferris; Centenary, G. M. McLaughlin; Felicity, Price Fee; Georgetown, Ben B. Whiteman; Goshen, George W. Myers; Laurel, B. F. Linsay; Lebanon, Dr. E. S. Stevens; Loveland, William Ewry; Maneville, Mrs. Ada Lewis; Mason, George Clark; Milford, F. L. Cook; Montgomery, Alley Malabary, Mason, George Clark; Milford, F. L. Cook; Montgomery, Allen Malsbary; Moscow, J. J. Mears; Newtown, Dr. W. W. Highlands; Owensville, George F. Crone; Ripley, G. D. Williamson; Summerside, W. S. Turton; West Union, C. F. McCoy; Williamsburg, D. A. Rees.

Springfield District.—Arcanum, C. A. Rosser; Brandt, A. A. Stevens; Catawba, Joseph Bumgardner; Cedarville, Dr. E. Spahr; Greenville, George A. Jobes; Mechanicsburg, John C. Sceva; New Moorefield, S. T. Robinson; Piqua: Greene Street, George E. Lee; Springfield: Central, James A. Myers; Clifton Avenue, A. Taylor; High Street, W. S. Meredith; St. Paul, H. G. Marshall; Tremont City, H. P. Wilson; Troy, W. H. Francis; Urbana: First Church, D. S. Perry; Grace, P. R. Warman.

The Credential Committee read its report, as follows:

"To the President and Members of the Lay Electoral Conference,-Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that we find the credentials of the delegates whose names were called were regular and in proper form.—Committee: E. T. Layman, William E. Shaw, L. M. Garfield."

On motion, the same was received.

Mr. J. C. Harper offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That we now proceed to ballot for four lay delegates to the General Conference to be held at Los Angeles next May; each ballot to contain four names until one or more delegates are elected, and thereafter each ballot to contain as many names as there are delegates yet to be elected; a majority of all voting being necessary to a choice. Nominating speeches not to exceed four minutes.

Mr. D. D. Woodmansee moved to amend as follows:

"The four receiving the highest number of votes shall be the delegates elected, provided that each shall have a majority of the votes of the Conference, and that the three next highest shall be the reserve delegates, provided that each receive a majority of the votes of the Conference."

The amendment was accepted. It was moved to further amend by making the time three minutes instead of four. Carried, and motion as

amended carried.

On motion, the bar of the Conference was fixed as the center aisle

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The following candidates were named from each district by the parties whose names appear opposite: Cincinnati District—Samuel Hannaford, by E. T. Layman: Philip Roettinger, by J. C. Harper; William E. Brooks, by Ezra Guard; James N. Gamble, by R. Dymond; D. D. Woodmansee, by J. M. DeCamp; J. M. Thomssen, by R. H. Halley, declined. Dayton District—Alex. Boxwell, by B. F. Howard; P. N. Sigler, by L. M. Garfield; H. C. Minnich, by J. A. White. Hillsboro District—C. C. Nichols, by J. S. Kimbrough. Milford District—F. C. Cook, by W. P. Richards. Springfield District—W. R. Warnock, by James A. Myers.

Those making nominations pledged that the candidates would go if elected. The following were appointed tellers: Charles Crapsey, C. A.

Lucius, W. H. Dakin, C. B. Nichols, George E. Lee. The ballot was taken, and the tellers retired.

On motion of H. C. Minnich, a Committee was appointed to convey greetings to the Annual Conference. The Committee appointed was H. C. Minnich, D. D. Woodmansee, M. Redkey, W. P. Richards, James A. Myers.
Bishop Walden, by request, addressed the Conference.
The result of the ballot was announced as follows: Total number of

votes, 122; necessary to a choice, 62. Alex Boxwell, 80; W. R. Warnock, 73; H. C. Minnich, 68; James N. Gamble, 67; P. Roettinger, 64; C. C. Nichols, 40; F. L. Cook, 28; W. E. Brooks, 25; D. D. Woodmansee, 25; S. Hannaford, 10; P. N. Sigler, 6. Messrs. Boxwell, Warnock, Minnich, and Gamble, were declared elected as delected and Mr. P. Berti's and Gamble were declared elected as delegates, and Mr. P. Roettinger as first reserve.

The following Committee from the Annual Conference was introduced: D. J. Starr, A. B. Leonard, and R. S. Rust. They extended an invitation from the Annual Conference for a joint meeting between the clergymen and laymen. After consultation between the Committees of both bodies, it was decided to accept the invitation and hold the joint meeting at 3.30

o'clock this afternoon.

On motion, the two persons receiving the next highest votes were declared the second and third reserve delegates. They were Messrs. Nichols and Cook. The session adjourned to 3.15 this afternoon, at Wesley Chapel.

### AFTERNOON.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Lay Conference met at Wesley Chapel at the time appointed. The Annual Conference having adjourned until 9 o'clock Saturday morning, it was decided to hold the joint session at that hour.

W. A. Robinson was introduced during the session, and spoke concerning the deaconess work, and suggested the propriety of this Conference raising a hundred dollars for the work. On motion, the suggestion was accepted, and Messrs. Bosserman and Harper were appointed a Committee to raise the funds.

#### Saturday Morning, September 5th.

At 9 o'clock the Lay Conference met, and went in a body into the audience-room of Wesley Chapel, and were introduced to the Annual Conference. Mr. D. D. Woodmansee spoke on behalf of the laymen, and Bishop Fowler responded on behalf of the ministry.

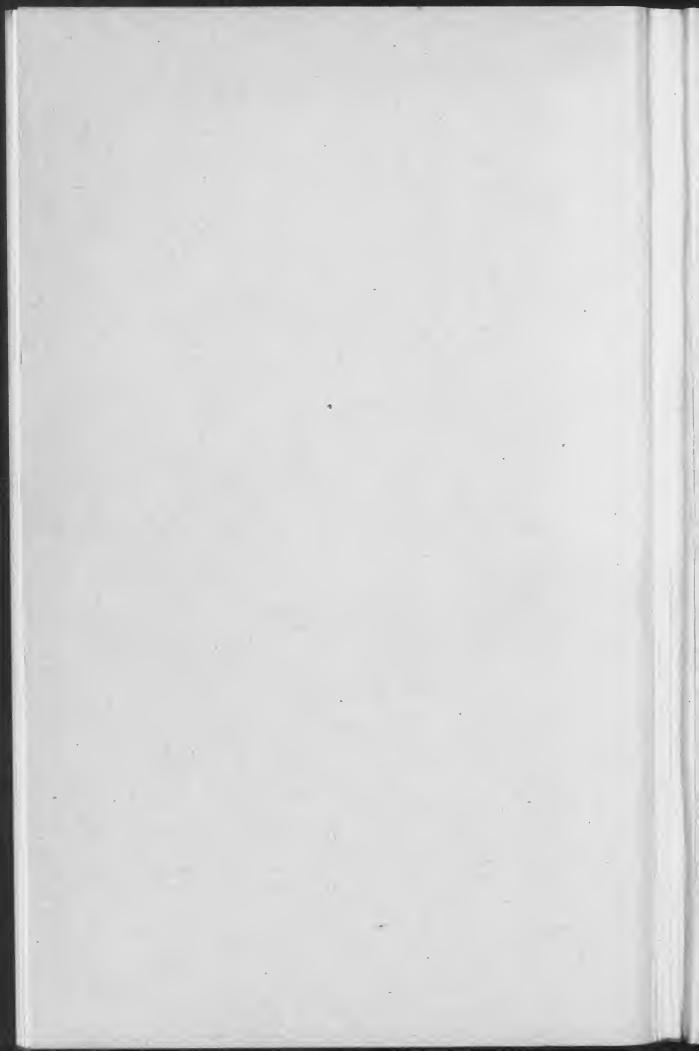
The Conference then adjourned to the lecture room of Wesley Chapel. Mr. James N. Gamble then presented the following resolution, which

was adopted:

"Resolved, That it is the judgment of this Conference that no pastoral charge has just reason to complain if the Bishop fails to appoint as pastor a member of the Conference, with family, unless it gives a support of at least \$600 and a house.'

On motion, the Lay Conference adjourned sine die.





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